RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, the Tribe had directed the Division of Health Programs to seek funding sources to help the Tribe promote the well being of its youth; and
- WHEREAS, the prevention of juvenile delinquency and identification and treatment of youth at risk are priorities of the Tribe in ensuring the continued growth and prosperity of our thriving nation; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribe has suffered additional hardships and detrimental impacts from recent events, including the devastating Rodeo-Chediski fire in June and July of 2002, which have added additional threats and difficulties for communities on the reservation's west-side, especially the Cibecue community; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribe must move forward to address the long term impacts to the Tribe's lands and the Tribe's youth from the hardships suffered from the catastrophic Rodeo-Chediski fire; and
- WHEREAS, in response to these needs the Division of Health Programs has identified a source of funds for FY 2003-2006 through the United States Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Tribal Youth Program and the Indian Health Service Tribal Youth Program to provide juvenile delinquency prevention services and raise community awareness and issues involving Tribal children and youth; and
- whereas, the Division of Health Programs, in conjunction with other involved programs and community representatives proposes to develop programs that will 1) provide after school and summer youth athletic programming that will engage Tribal youth in a positive social activities; 2) provide truancy and drop out prevention programming targeted at 6th grade youth on the reservation; 3) increase community awareness about issues involving the Tribal children and youth; and
- WHEREAS, the Division of Health Programs has received word from OJJDP that its application for a grant award has received a preliminary recommendation for funding; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council considers the availability of such funding to be a vital component for the Tribe's recovery needs.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Division of Health Programs and related Tribal programs and community leaders to complete all documentation necessary to secure a final award of funds

from OJJDP Tribal Youth Programs for the FY 2003-2006 grant award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that grant award is finalized, it accepts the award on behalf of the Tribe for the purposes set forth herein and in the grant application.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>September 9, 2003</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>TEN</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (j), (s), (t), and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council