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

- WHEREAS, the Office of the Deputy under Secretary of Defense is developing the Native American Environmental Tracking System (NAETS) to maintain information on potential and actual environmental impacts to Indian lands as a result of formerly used Defense Sites; and
- WHEREAS, NAETS will also record any other information regarding environmental impacts to Native American Lands as they are learned. The data in NAETS is also used to make yearly funding decisions for the Native American Lands Environmental Mitigation Program (NALEMP); and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe (WMAT) Historic Preservation Office (HPO) in collaboration with the Environmental Planning Office and the Tribal Attorney has initiated contacts with the Department of Defense (DoD) in the matter of the remaining adverse environmental impacts from DoD occupation of WMAT lands; and
- WHEREAS, the HPO would like to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the DoD; and
- WHEREAS, this MOU in conjunction with approved cooperative agreement applications and the award of funds thereunder will be the vehicle by which the WMAT will receive financial assistance and technical support from the DoD; and
- WHEREAS, this support will enable the WMAT to develop a comprehensive plan to address the environmental impacts from former DoD activities on the White Mountain Apache tribal lands. In addition, this support will enable the HPO to participate directly or in assistance to the United States Army Corps of Engineers and its contractors in the potential remediation of the DoD environmental impacts; and
- **WHEREAS,** in its dealings with the WMAT, the DoD shall respect the White Mountain Apache Tribe's sovereign authority; and
- WHEREAS, the DoD acknowledges the federal responsibility arising from statutes, Executive Orders, and the historical relationship between the United States and the WMAT, and shall be guided by a respect for this responsibility in all its dealings with the WMAT; and
- WHEREAS, the DoD designates Glen Alsup, Army Corps of Engineers and the WMAT designates Doreen Ethelbah Gatewood as the program manager and the single point of contact for coordinating all activities under this MOU.

- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby wishes to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Defense (DoD) for financial assistance and technical support for evaluation of environmental impacts from (DoD) occupation and to remediate such impacts.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes Tribal Chairman Dallas Massey, Sr. to sign the Memorandum of Agreement once it has been endorsed by the Tribal Attorney.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>JUNE 3, 2004</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</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), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (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 Counci