



Resolution No. 02-2006-53

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

(Directing the Emergency Management Coordinator to appoint Tribal Emergency Response Commission)

WHEREAS, as the recent events of Natural and Terrorist attacks showed, the consequences of disasters, man-made as well as natural, can be far reaching and diverse; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council is entrusted with the responsibility to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people, and to protect and preserve the natural and cultural resources and assets of the community; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council has the responsibility to assure that the communities are prepared and has the resources to handle natural, technological, and human caused emergencies and disasters; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council enacted Tribal Resolution No. 06-2002-144 which appointed the White Mountain Apache Tribe Local Emergency Response Commission (LERC) charged with the responsibility of planning and orchestrating the Tribe's response to emergencies within or affecting the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council enacted Tribal Resolution No. 04-2003-104 creating an Office of Emergency Management charged with the responsibility, in the event of a natural or man-made disaster, to serve as the central hub to coordinate, plan and orchestrate appropriate responses; and

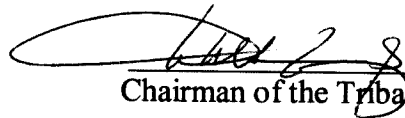
WHEREAS, the LERC has been functioning for two years and has identified several areas in need of improvement and clarification of roles and responsibilities.

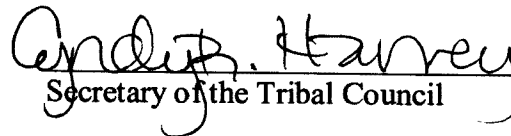
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Emergency Management Coordinator to recommend to the Council the appointment of members, establishment of by-laws and maintenance of a list of team members and supporting resources superseding Tribal Resolution No. 06-2002-144.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it directs the Legal Department to research the relationship between the TEMT and Tribal Emergency Response Commission (TERC) created by Ordinance No.194 and provide recommendations based on their findings within sixty (60) days.

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The foregoing resolution was on February 9, 2006, duly adopted by a vote of FIVE for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (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