



Resolution No. 05-2006-155

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

(Directing White Mountain Apache Housing Authority to locate emergency housing for tribal member Mary Ethelbah)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1(a) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and


WHEREAS, Mary Ethelbah has shared with the Tribal Council her current housing situation; and

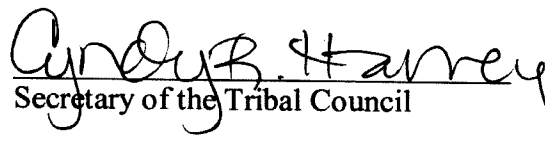
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that Ms. Ethelbah and her family have an urgent need for housing.

BE IT RESOLVED by the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council that it hereby requests the Housing Authority to locate emergency housing for Mary Ethelbah and her family in the Ben Gay or China Town subdivisions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests the Housing Authority to place Mary Ethelbah on the priority list for a home.

The foregoing resolution was on May 16, 2006, duly adopted by a vote of TEN 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), (h), (i), (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).

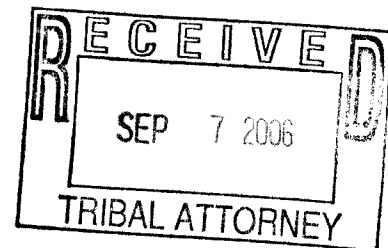

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Date: September 5, 2006

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Re: Housing assistance

Dear Ms. Parker,

This letter is on behalf of Mary H. Ethelbah, who is an elderly from upper East Fork. A few months ago her daughter-in-law approached the Tribal Council requesting a house for her immediate family. Apparently, Mrs. Ethelbah's old house is shared by several families and the total number of people occupying the resident is approximately 18 people. This creates tension, lack of privacy, and violates the fire code, which forms an unsafe environment.

I'm aware of the severe shortages of houses on the reservation but Mrs. Ethelbah's situation is critical. She is 70 years old and lives in a badly deteriorated trailer next to her house. The trailer does not have running water or an operational cooking stove (see enclosed letter). I also understand there's a lengthy waiting list of people seeking to obtain a house. But due to the circumstances indicated, I appreciate it if you can consider Mrs. Ethelbah's status a priority and provide a house for her. Please let me know as soon as possible if this is workable.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 338-2597.

Sincerely,

Kirk Massey Sr.
District III Councilmember

Cc: Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman
Margaret B. Walker, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman
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Alvin Declay, District III Councilmember
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