

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

(Approving the Adoption and Implementation of the Emergency Operations Plan to Prepare for and Respond to Disaster Incidents)

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, 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, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is responsible for assuring that the communities are prepared for and have the resources to address natural, technological, and human caused emergencies and disasters; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe recognizes that disasters and emergencies may result in loss of life, human suffering, loss of income, and loss or damage to property of the community and/or Tribe as well as damage to the environment and infrastructure within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe also recognizes the need for a comprehensive plan and procedures for preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation of damages when disasters or emergencies occur; and
- WHEREAS, by prior action in Resolution 06-2002-144; the Tribal Council created the White Mountain Apache Tribe Local Emergency Response Commission (L.E.R.C.) which was charged with the responsibility of planning and coordinating the Tribe's response to emergencies within or affecting the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, by prior action in Resolution No. 08-2006-265, the Tribal Council authorized the reappointment of Reno Johnson, Sr., District IV Council member as Chairman of the Local Emergency Response Commission; and
- WHEREAS, by prior action in Resolution No. 09-2005-256, the Tribal Council also adopted a National Incident Management System (NIMS) to prepare for and respond to disaster incidents from an all hazards approach and which prescribes an Incident Command System standardizing incident organization for management of all incidents; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council has reviewed the White Mountain Apache Emergency Operations Plan and Emergency Support Functions and finds them to be appropriate and in the best interest of the Tribe.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that:

1. The Emergency Operations Plan and Emergency Support Functions is hereby adopted and directs the designated Emergency Manager and all departments and programs of the Tribe to implement the provisions thereof.

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2. The Emergency Manager Coordinator and the White Mountain Apache Tribe Safety Coordinator shall prepare a budget for an Emergency Assistance Fund for the Tribal Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairwoman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all document necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>January 11, 2008</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (c), (f), and (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 Council