

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

(Authorizing Participation in the Automatic Aid Agreement)

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 Fire & Rescue Department (WMAFRD) is responsible for

providing safe, efficient and cost-effective fire protection and rescue services on the Fort

Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS. the majority of fire departments, including the WMAFRD, do not have the manpower and

resources available to handle large scale incidents on their own; and

WHEREAS, the Pinetop, Lakeside, Show Low and Linden Fire Departments have enhanced the coordination

of their responses to emergencies that threaten the loss of life or property within the geographical boundaries of their respective jurisdictions by entering into an Automatic Aid for

Fire Protection and other Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, each Automatic Aid System Participant shall automatically respond in the event of an emergency within the boundaries of another Participant based upon a mutually agreed upon dispatch

system that shall automatically determine the closest available, most appropriate unit(s)

regardless of jurisdictional boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the WMAFRD wishes to enhance the coordination of their response as well by entering into

this Automatic Aid for Fire Protection and other Emergency Services.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it authorizes the White Mountain Apache Fire & Rescue Department to enter into the Automatic Aid Agreement for Fire Protection and other Emergency Services (attached).

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 **JANUARY 14, 2009** 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), (b), (f), (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 Triba