

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

(Authorizing Vice Chairwoman Margaret Baha-Walker to Submit a Short Term Economic Recovery and Stimulus Plan on behalf of the White Mountain Apache Tribe)

- 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 currently facing an economic downturn caused by the aftermath of the 2002 Rodeo Chediski disaster and other global and local factors; and
- WHEREAS, an opportunity to apply for stimulus funding for economic recovery has recently become available under the leadership of President Barack Obama; and
- WHEREAS, the funding is allocated to alleviate suffering economies from the States, Territories and Tribes and distributed through federal grants, contracts, subsidies, and loans; and
- WHEREAS, Vice-Chairwoman Margaret Baha-Walker has offered to lead an initiative to identify the short-term goals and needs of the Tribe in order to help stabilize the local economy; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to allow for the submission of a stimulus plan to President Obama and relevant U.S. officials and agencies under the title: "White Mountain Apache Tribe Economic Stimulus and Short Term Recovery Plan."

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes Vice-Chairwoman Margaret Baha-Walker to submit an "Economic Stimulus and Short Term Recovery Plan" on behalf of the Tribe with the intent of securing available federal funding for the Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall govern.

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 documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>January 14, 2009</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), (i), (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).

Ronnie Lupe, Chairman of the Tribal Council

Cyndy Harvey, Secretary of the Tribal Council