

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

(Approving Application for FY-09 Tribal Courts Assistance (TCAP) Grant Program)

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 also has a compelling interest to protect tribal sovereignty and tribal jurisdiction over tribal lands; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has a compelling interest in promoting public safety on tribal lands, protecting tribal citizens from crime, and to enhance the operation of existing tribal court system; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice agency has announced availability of funding under the "Tribal Courts Assistance Program (TCAP) FY 2009 Grant" (FON#: BJA-2009-1952; CFDA#: 16.608); and

whereas, the Tribal Court Administrator, Planning Office grant writer, and others have identified a funding need for the Tribal Court Administration to plan and design the enhancement of the various operations of the existing tribal court that include improving case management, training court personnel, acquiring equipment and software, structuring tribal appellate system, and establishing a core structure for the tribal court; and

WHEREAS, the above collaborators have determined that Category II: Enhancing the Operation of Tribal Courts (Competition ID#: BJA-2009-1955) of the above-named grant opportunity offers funding availability (\$ 175,000) to provide for the current planning needs of the WMA Tribal Court to begin the planning, design, and later implementation of the improvement of the tribal court core structure and services to the people of the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and

whereas, the TCAP, FY 2009 grant instructions require the establishment of an advisory team (a well-rounded representation of the tribal criminal justice system) for the project, the Tribal Court Administration Office requests the appointment of five (5) members of a TCAP Grant Advisory Team that will include: an elected tribal leader, judge or court personnel, law enforcement representative, Rainbow Treatment Center staff member, and a local tribal community member, and appointing Anna Goseyun as the BJA Point-of-Contact person for this Advisory Team; and

whereas, the Tribal Court Administration has determined that improved services to the people of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in their tribal court structure due to increased tribal population, socio-economic and political changes, and subsequently leading to the necessity of increased and improved tribal court operations to address the betterment and well being of the White Mountain Apache Tribal community members; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council supports the planning for the enhancement of the Tribal Court operations as stated by the Court Administration office and hereby

confirms that the White Mountain Apache Tribal Court and Administration Office are entities of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Tribal Court Administration Office intends to seek funds from the Tribal Courts Assistance Program (TCAP) FY 2009 Grant funding offered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, under the U.S. Department of Justice agency.

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

- 1. The Tribe's Planning Office grant writer and the Tribal Court Administration Office is hereby authorized to submit a grant proposal for FY 2009 funding of \$175,000 with no matching funding requirements to the Tribal Courts Assistance Program (TCAP) FY 2009 Grant funding opportunity offered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, under the U.S. Department of Justice agency.
- 2. The grant funding (if awarded) from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, under the U.S. Department of Justice agency is hereby accepted subject to the terms and conditions of the grant and to a review of the Tribe's Legal Department.
- 3. The development of a budget and justification narrative for expenditure of grant funds by the Tribal Court Administration office and grant writer are hereby approved.
- 4. The White Mountain Apache Tribal Court Administrator, Anna Goseyun, is hereby appointed as the Project Director and authorized to manage the FY 2009 Tribal Courts Assistance Grant Program on behalf of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.
- 5. To meet the requirements of the Tribal Courts Assistance Grant Program, the WMA Tribal Council hereby appoints five (5) members of a TCAP Grant Advisory Team that will include: an elected tribal leader, judge or court personnel, law enforcement representative, Rainbow Treatment Center staff member, and a local tribal community member, and also appointing Anna Goseyun as the BJA Point-of-Contact person for this Advisory Team under the auspices of the Tribal Court Administration Office.

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 28</u>, <u>2009</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), (j), (r), (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