

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

(Approving Johns Hopkins University proposal to American Foundation for Suicide Prevention)

- 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 Tribal Council supports carefully designed research and service projects to address health problems which exist in the population and to develop appropriate interventions which seek to decrease or alleviate these problems; and
- WHEREAS, Johns Hopkins University has been a primary partner with the Tribe since the early 1980s to develop and build capacity within our community to address our priority health problems, and has helped to disseminate lessons learned within our community to communities and nations worldwide; and
- WHEREAS, addressing high rates of suicidal behavior among our youth has become the most urgent need of our Tribe over the past eight years; and
- WHEREAS, Johns Hopkins, in partnership with the White Mountain Apache Tribe, has mounted an effort to advance our desire and local plan to prevent suicide among teens in our communities and to train Tribal Members to screen and refer young suicide attempters; and
- WHEREAS, the Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) program, consisting of both the White Mountain Apache Tribe and Johns Hopkins University, has already received Tribal approval and grant funding for a study entitled "Using a CBPR model to prevent Apache Youth Suicide," and is equipped and experienced to support expanding initiatives in this area for the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Johns Hopkins University is requesting approval to submit a proposal to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), to study the influences of social networks on high risk behaviors of suicidal Apache youth ages 10-19; and
- WHEREAS, we have a solid foundation but important work left to do to reverse our youth suicide problem and share our lessons with the world.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby designates Johns Hopkins University as a grant recipient on behalf of the Tribe to coordinate the submission of the "Examining Social Network Influences on Substance Use and High Risk Behaviors of Suicidal Apache Youth".

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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>June 3</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), (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