



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

(Approving Registration of the Celebrating Life Suicide Surveillance System)

- 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,** members of the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe are duly elected representatives of the people and their respective districts; and among their many concerns are the health and well-being of all Tribal Members; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council supports carefully designed research and service projects to address health problems that exist in the population and encourages the development of appropriate interventions seeking to decrease or alleviate such problems; and
- WHEREAS,** the Celebrating Life Team of the White Mountain Apache Tribe have successfully implemented a comprehensive Suicide Surveillance System reservation-wide that includes the identification, referral and case management of all suicidal individuals; and
- WHEREAS,** this Suicide Surveillance System has been recognized by other Native American and Alaska Native Tribes as well as other populations suffering from high rates of suicide as a successful model for suicide surveillance; and
- WHEREAS,** these and other entities have approached the Celebrating Life Team for collaboration in creating their own suicide surveillance systems; and
- WHEREAS,** this recognition and request for collaboration bring attention to the need for copyrighted protection of the intellectual property (data collection forms and database system) created through the White Mountain Apache Suicide Surveillance System; and
- WHEREAS,** the Johns Hopkins University has already acted on behalf of the Tribe as the designated steward of the NARCH grant supporting the Celebrating Life Suicide Surveillance System ("Using a CBPR Model to Prevent Apache Youth Suicide") and has successfully worked with our Tribal Members to create the Celebrating Life data collection forms and database systems; and
- WHEREAS,** on October 26, 2009, the Health Board reviewed and approved the submission for registration of the White Mountain Apache Celebrating Life Surveillance System with the U.S. Copyright Office; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to approve the registration of the Celebrating Life Suicide Surveillance System with the U.S. Copyright Office by Johns Hopkins University on behalf of the Tribe.

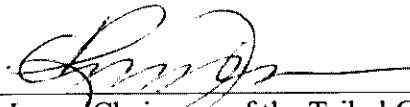
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BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the registration of the Celebrating Life Suicide Surveillance System with the U.S. Copyright Office by the Johns Hopkins University on behalf of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

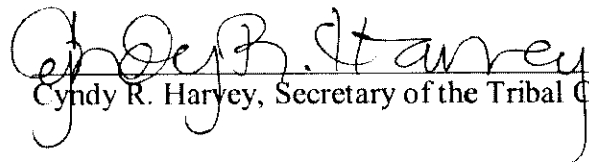
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that in the event of any inconsistency between this Resolution and any prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall govern.

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 November 30, 2009, duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Sections 1 (a), (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



Cindy R. Harvey, Secretary of the Tribal Council