

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

(Supporting the Navajo Nation in their Struggle to Protect Sacred Sites)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) and 1(s) 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, representatives from the Navajo Nation presented their concerns regarding the proposed water use on the San Francisco Peaks to the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the representatives of the Navajo Nation asked for the support of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in opposing the use of both reclaimed and potable water in snowmaking activities at the Arizona Snowbowl Ski Resort; and

WHEREAS, the Navajo Nation and the White Mountain Apache Tribe have a long history of cooperation and are connected by strong cultural ties; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe considers the San Francisco Peaks, called Dził Łigai, or Dził Cho, to be sacred to the Apache people.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby supports the Navajo Nation in protecting the sacred site of the San Francisco Peaks.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby opposes the use of both reclaimed and potable water for snowmaking activities on the Arizona Snowbowl ski resort.

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 Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>AUGUST 24, 2010</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</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), (f), (g), (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