

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

(Approving the MOA for Special Education Preschool Services Between the McNary Elementary School District No. 23 and Whiteriver School District No. 20 and the White Mountain Apache Head Start Program)

WHEREAS, there is a need on the Fort Apache Reservation ("Reservation") to provide special education services to assist White Mountain Apache tribal members that have disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Head Start Bureau, ("Bureau") has developed Head Start Program Performance Standards on services for children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the McNary Elementary School District No. 23 and Whiteriver School District No. 20 and the White Mountain Apache Head Start program would like to enter a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA"), developed according to the Head Start Program Performance Standards, combining the respective programs to offer special services to preschool children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe operates and manages the White Mountain Apache Head Start program in the interest of promoting Apache childhood education and development; and

**WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council supports Tribal Members with disabilities and finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to support the MOA as described herein.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the MOA between McNary Elementary School District No. 23 and Whiteriver School District No. 20 and the White Mountain Apache Head Start program for the purpose of offering services to preschool children with disabilities.

**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>September 21, 2011</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), (c), (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).

Ronnie Lupe, Chairman of the Tribal Council

Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary of the Tribal Council