



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

*A Sovereign Nation Exercising Self-Governance
Over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation*

Resolution No. 01-2013-10

(Denying All Requests for Donations, Sponsorship or Financial Assistance)

WHEREAS, in recent months, the Tribal Council has been overwhelmed by requests from individuals seeking financial aid or donations from the Tribe for the purpose of subsidizing Tribal member needs, regardless of the urgency of the matter; and

WHEREAS, although the Tribal Council understands the frustrations, obstacles and struggles that Tribal members are faced with on a daily basis, the Council also recognizes that the Tribe cannot serve as a safety net for individuals, especially during these very trying economic times; and

WHEREAS, despite the cost-containment measures currently in place, the Tribe has reluctantly continued to entertain requests for assistance; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the greater Tribe's financial priorities and needs, the Tribal Council recognizes that not only is it unsustainable to continue funding Tribal member personal efforts and providing aid for personal emergencies, but it is a wildly inappropriate use of political power and the Tribe's money to offer any kind of rewards or payments in the form of donations, aid or sponsorship; and

WHEREAS, whether intentional or not, the Tribal Council's "one-time" exceptions for individuals has historically led to allegations of corruption (favoritism) and bribery (buying votes), and general resentment towards the governing body, all problems that have plagued the Tribe for decades and slowly contributed to the Tribe's financial problems that are now the topic of most Tribal Council discussions; and

WHEREAS, in order to clean up the Tribe's financial affairs, to restore the integrity and reputation of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, and to begin redirecting the Tribe's future into an era of prosperity, financial stability, and transparency, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to deny all requests for donations, sponsorships or financial assistance from the White Mountain Apache Tribal government.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that the Chairman and Tribal Council Secretary deny all future requests by Tribal members and non-Tribal members alike for donations, financial assistance, and sponsorship of personal events, business, and family emergencies. Any subsequent donations should be directly solicited from the individuals, but may not be brought to the Tribal Council floor for consideration. Because prior Resolutions

addressing this matter have been abused or ignored in prior years, the Tribal Council must insist that exceptions shall not be made for any person or for any reason.

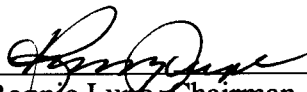
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby declares that this Resolution is the official policy of the Tribe. There is no expiration date or sunset provision, and this policy will be enforceable for the foreseeable future without exception.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, this Resolution shall be declared null and void and have no legal effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Acting Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. In the event that the Chairman fails to delegate signatory authority to an Acting Chairman, the Vice-Chairman may sign.


The foregoing resolution was on JANUARY 2, 2013 duly adopted by a vote of SIX for and ONE against and ZERO abstentions by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (k), (s), (t) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution, 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

1-9-13

Date



Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary

1-14-2013

Date