

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

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

Resolution No. 07-2013-153

(Approving Collaborative Project to Study ITSEA Data)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") is entrusted by the Tribe's Constitution to act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe, to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe, and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in conjunction with Johns Hopkins University has conducted research projects for more than 30 years which aim to raise the level of health of all residents of the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the National Institutes of Health (NIH)/ National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) funded the Cradling Our Future through Family Strengthening program; and

WHEREAS, a measurement tool called the Infant Toddler Social and Emotional Assessment (ITSEA) to track changes in American Indian infants and toddlers was used a survey filled out by mothers about their children from 9 months to 36 months of age. Between the two organizations, early childhood data has been collected from mothers enrolled in 6 tribal nations, including White Mountain Apache; and

WHEREAS, a collaborative effort between child development teams at Johns Hopkins University Center for American Indian Health and the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus (CU) would allow both organizations to better understand child development; and

WHEREAS, we would like to pool the White Mountain Apache Cradling our Future ITSEA data with ITSEA data collected by the University of Colorado with their tribal partners. We will perform different types of statistical analyses to determine how sensitive, reliable and valid this measure is for assessing early child social, emotional and behavioral development across different tribal communities. This research will help us understand if there are ways that the ITSEA can be improved for use within American Indian communities; and

WHEREAS, we have a solid foundation in the development of lasting prevention/intervention measures and can share our lessons with other struggling communities.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the collaborative project between Johns Hopkins University Center for American Indian Health and the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus (CU) to analyze the ITSEA data.

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.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>JULY 16, 2013</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</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), (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

Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary