

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Reaffirming Ban on Gifting Vehicles to Outgoing Council)

WHEREAS,

on April 24<sup>th</sup>, outgoing members of the governing body sought to take advantage of an opportunity that they denied prior Council members. The Council previously voted to designate all Council issued vehicles as Tribal property and not personal property. The Council further determined that it was in the Tribe's best interest to cease the practice of gifting vehicles to outgoing Council members as they no longer had a vested interest in Tribe's future; and

WHEREAS,

while the current members of the governing body appreciate the intent of the Council in 2010 and 2012 in attempting to prevent the gifting of vehicles to outgoing Council, the same outgoing council members in 2014 have failed to live up to their own standard; and

WHEREAS,

for the reasons stated above, the Tribal Council determines that it is in the Tribe's best interest to rescind Resolution No. 04-2014-49 and stand firm behind the idea that it is poor form and financial waste to gift vehicles to outgoing Council.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby rescinds Resolution No. 04-2014-49, which was an attempt to reauthorize the practice of gifting Tribal vehicles to outgoing Council members.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby declares that in order to prevent this problem from reoccurring in the future, members of the governing body shall be committed to amending the Government Code with language that would effectively prohibit the gifting of Tribal Council issued vehicles to outgoing members (or incumbents) of the governing body.

**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, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed 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 Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

## Resolution No. <u>05-2014-57</u>

The foregoing resolution was on <u>May 14, 2014</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against with <u>ONE</u> abstaining by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Rospie Lune, Tribal Chairman

Doreen Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date