

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Appointing Josh Parker as Acting Game & Fish Director)

WHEREAS, since the resignation of former Game & Fish Director John Caid, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has been actively seeking a qualified individual to fill the position, particularly due to the high amount of revenue that is at stake when taking into consideration the Tribe's World Class Elk Hunt; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Chairman previously promoted David Kitcheyan as Acting Director in order to encourage a smooth transition process prior to the selection of a qualified Game & Fish Director, however, the Tribal Council is aware that there is a lot of unrest and dissent within the agency and an administrative action is necessary to ensure that the program operates efficiently and effectively while the Tribal Council solicits qualified applicants to interview for the position; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the Tribe's best interest to replace David Kitcheyan with Josh Parker as Acting Game & Fish Director until such time that the position has been filled pursuant to competitive application through the Tribe's Personnel Process.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby appoints Josh Parker as the Acting Game & Fish Director in order to correct any deficiencies that have been reported or alleged to the members of the governing body in prior meetings. The designation of Acting Director shall remain until the position has been filled through the competitive process. The Council encourages the Acting Director and any potential qualified candidates to apply for the position as it will be open until filled and reviewed every three months until the position has been filled.

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.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>JULY 9, 2014</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against with <u>ZERO</u> abstaining by the Tribal Council of the White

Resolution No. <u>07-2014-79</u>

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).

Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

Date

oreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date