



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

**(Authorizing Software/Hardware Upgrades of the Tribe's Accounting System. Council will Consider Increasing Line of Credit for this Purpose at a Later Date)**

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**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council was previously advised by the Tribal Council of a hardware failure that has resulted in the loss of financial data dating back to mid-2013. This problem effectively means that the Tribe must manually rebuild our database from financial documents and other internal paper and electronic archives concurrently while the prior fiscal audits are completed and in preparation for the current audit; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council is also aware that the software that the Tribe uses for accounting is seriously outdated and the lack of updated software and upgraded equipment has created extraordinary obstacles that have made it difficult for the Tribe to efficiently record its finances in a timely manner; and

**WHEREAS,** while not exclusively the cause, problems mentioned above have led to the Tribe's inability to keep up with financial audit reporting and that in turn has hindered the Tribe's ability to secure loans, be eligible for competitive interest rates, and has resulted in a perpetual high risk sanction by the Bureau of Indian Affairs that has further harmed the Tribe's financial standing and position by requiring that most (if not all) eligible funding of PL 93-638 programs be distributed on a reimbursement basis; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Government and greater Tribe to authorize the Tribal Treasurer to purchase the accounting hardware and software upgrades as needed in an amount not to exceed \$800,000.00 and administrative and legal fees not to exceed \$100,000.00 for a total of \$900,000.00 which will be the amount requested for a line of credit increase to be decided at a future meeting.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Treasurer to take action to update the Tribe's Accounting Software and upgrade hardware as needed, provided that the total amount of the funding allocated is no more than \$900,000.00, which includes \$800,000.00 for the system update and no more than \$100,000.00 for legal and administrative costs associated with installing and updating the Tribe's Accounting System.

**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.

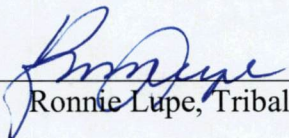
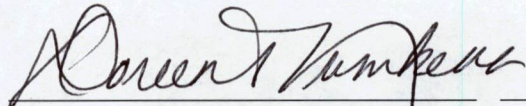


**Resolution No. 07-2014-94**

**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 **JULY 15, 2014** duly adopted by a vote of **NINE** for, **ZERO** against, and **ZERO** abstentions 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).

	<u>9/5/14</u>		<u>9-5-2014</u>
Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman	Date	Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary	Date