

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Sanctioning Henry & Horne, LLP)

- WHEREAS, on this day, members of the Housing Authority, including its Director, Legal Counsel, and Board of Directors ("Board"), did address the Tribal Council ("Council") of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") on issues related to the restriction of Housing Authority funds for reasons beyond the control of the Housing Authority and management; and
- WHEREAS, Victor Velasquez, the Housing Authority Director, had previously informed the Tribe of difficulties by Housing Authority officials to obtain a final version of the 2012 and 2013 Fiscal Year (FY) Single Audit reports; and
- WHEREAS, as a result of the outstanding single audit reports, for which the auditing firm Henry & Horne, LLP, was responsible, the Tribal Housing Authority is now considered "At-Risk" with respect to its eligibility to receive federal funds that are used to support Housing projects, jobs, and to benefit Tribal members and the greater Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, after considerable discussion and deliberation, the Tribal Council is of the opinion that because the Tribal Housing Authority has paid in excess of \$150,000.00 to date for services rendered and the Housing Authority (and Council) has yet to receive a final Single Audit Report from Henry & Horne, LLP, the Council must take action to ensure that this kind of behavior by a non-Tribal organization does not happen again; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to order that sanctions be imposed on Henry & Horne, LLP and that the firm shall no longer provide services to Tribal Agencies until the above matter is resolved. Tribal or other On-Reservation agencies that have contracted with Henry & Horne, LLP to provide auditing or other services should notify Henry & Horne, LLP and wind up all services contracted for prior to passage of this resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby imposes sanctions on the auditing firm of Henry & Horne, LLP, as follows: The firm shall be prohibited from providing services or entering into any new contracts with a Tribal Agency or other On-Reservation Agencies until such time that the problems discussed herein have been resolved and the Tribal Council is satisfied that any outstanding problems have been resolved and that any and all damages incurred by the Tribe or any of its subsidiary entities or agencies as a result of failures of the auditing firm to timely complete and submit work they have been well compensated for.

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>SEPTEMBER 9, 2014</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>TEN</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against with <u>ZERO</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).

Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date