



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval of the Mother – Daughter Project)

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of Tribal Members is a continued concern to the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe and Johns Hopkins in partnership have conducted extraordinary research over the past 35 years to prove the effectiveness of various prevention programs and vaccines utilized across the United States and Internationally; and

WHEREAS, substance use, unplanned pregnancy and high-school dropout are risk factors for unhealthy choices for youth girls on the White Mountain Apache Reservation; and

WHEREAS, Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health is proposing the following project: formation of an Community Advisory Board (CAB), which will consist of female leaders and role models from the community who can advise on the development of a strengths-based intergenerational female empowerment program to help preadolescent girls (ages 9-14) make a healthy transition from preadolescents to young adulthood. Advisory Board members will guide Johns Hopkins staff members and be asked to offer direction as to:

- the best process for designing the project,
- what cultural assets and knowledge empower young girls and should inform intervention development, design and implementation,
- key content for interview guides for preadolescents, mothers and grandmothers and to learn more about how a program like this could help them during this important developmental transition period.

CAB meetings will be held throughout the first year of the project and be facilitated by local Apache Johns Hopkins staff; and

WHEREAS, process measures including the number of CABs, interviews and focus groups will be tracked. Information from all CABs as well as interview and focus groups will be utilized to inform the development of the next phase of the project; and

WHEREAS, the main goals are to renew protective cultural, familial and community strengths to help girls achieve a healthy transition through puberty into young womanhood and to help them realize and achieve their dreams for their future.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the new *Mother-Daughter project* to empower girls' reproductive health and healthy pathways as they transition to adulthood.

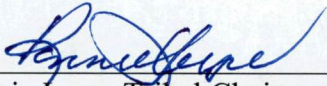
Resolution No. 04-2015-63

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.

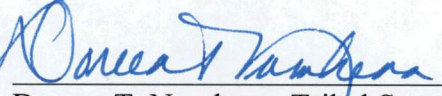
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on **APRIL 13, 2015** duly adopted by a vote of **SEVEN** for, **ZERO** against, and **TWO** 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).



Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

4/13/15
Date



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

4/20/2015
Date