



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(**Rescind Resolution No. 09-2015-186, on Scholarship Award**)

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2015, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe drafted Resolution No. 09-2015-186, a resolution that authorized a one-time exception to the WMAT's cost containment measures, thereby granting \$3,500.00 to Ms. Taylor Susan for educational scholarship purposes; and

WHEREAS, members of the Education Department come before the Tribal Council to discuss the concerns with Tribal Council overriding the process and authorizing the funds for disbursement outside the scope of the parameters set forth for scholarship awards; and

WHEREAS, while the respective committees and Educational Director strongly support higher education and encourage Tribal members to apply for scholarships when they meet eligibility criteria, it is not appropriate to allow individuals to circumvent the rules and be rewarded for failing to adhere to Tribal processes; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal employees present provided the Tribal Council with statements that directly contradicted the testimony provided by the student related to appropriately following the policies and meeting all deadlines, instead focusing on issues that were not relevant when considering her for eligibility; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe finds that it is in the best interest of the Tribe to rescind Resolution No. 09-2015-186, and to support Tribal Education by requiring that all students and Tribal members be treated equally and that they apply the same rules to all student applicants in the interest of fairness.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby rescinds Resolution No. 09-2015-186 that allowed a student applicant to circumvent the process, and while the Council encourages academic progress, educational support of Tribal members, and scholarships generally, it cannot reward individuals for failing to follow the rules and meet the applicable deadlines for award consideration.

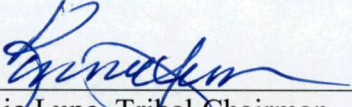
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution 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 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. 12-2015-246

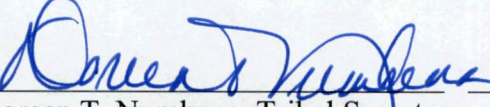
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on **December 2, 2015**, duly adopted by a vote of **SIX** for, **ONE** 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

10-6-16
Date



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

10-7-16
Date