

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Establishing an Energy Policy Development Process)

- **WHEREAS**, in April 2017 the White Mountain Apache Tribe held an energy planning workshop in Pinetop, Arizona; and
- **WHEREAS**, Tribal staff in attendance at that workshop endeavored to identify energy priorities and challenges for the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, that process identified the need for a Tribal energy policy; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal energy policy identified will function to support Tribal energy conservation and Tribal community and natural resource sustainability; and
- WHEREAS, the policy development process will consider such actions as establishing a Tribal "green" standard, conforming all on-Reservation maintenance and construction (including retrofits) to specific material requirements, setting minimum energy efficiency standards and other possibilities; and
- WHEREAS, the policy will ultimately encompass a Reservation-wide energy plan; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Engineering/Planning, Legal and other staff will meet at least every eight weeks to draft the energy policy and plan, with a final draft form to be presented to the Tribal Council for review no later than September 15, 2017; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribe hereby approves the policy formation process and supports continuing Tribal efforts to create a comprehensive energy plan to be submitted for its review.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Legal and Engineering/Planning Departments, through the Tribal Attorney and Tribal Engineer, to draft the Tribal Energy Policy in accordance with this action.
- **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.



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>MAY 4, 2017</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</u> for, <u>ZERO</u> against, and <u>ONE</u> 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

Date

Ooreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date