



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Suspending Sunrise Board and Terminating Sunrise Management)

- WHEREAS,** on this day, members of the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“WMAT”), did discuss personnel and other sensitive matters during an Executive Session of the Council; and
- WHEREAS,** as a result of the discussion, and after contemplating issues related to Sunrise operations that were brought to the attention of members of the governing body, the Council has determined that it is in the WMAT’s best interest to reconsider Sunrise management and Board oversight in order to ensure that the organization operates at the highest level and provides the Tribal Council with an assurance that the enterprise will remain successful and that management act responsibly and swiftly in notifying the Council and relevant parties when an urgent issue arises or emergency situation occurs; and
- WHEREAS,** regarding the fatal accident involving the late Reggie Antonio, the newly seated Sunrise Board shall honor a prior obligation promised to the family intended to pay for funeral expenses to assist the grieving family in need; and
- WHEREAS,** the suspension of Sunrise Board members pursuant to this action shall be considered for cause, and a newly appointed Board shall be seated as soon as reasonably practical, given the circumstances, and timeline for the upcoming start of the ski season; and
- WHEREAS,** as to any questions that may rise as to authority, the By-laws allow for removals pursuant to cause, and furthermore, are approved pursuant to Tribal Council resolution. Therefore, this resolution shall supersede, amend, or provide an exception to any rules that may cast doubt on this administrative action; and
- WHEREAS,** due to the extreme timeline and critical nature of the work required of management, this action by the Council is hereby considered an emergency action for the benefit of one of the WMAT’s most successful operations. The Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and the Sunrise Resort, that the Council suspend the current Board that is seated, and terminate top management officials, effective immediately.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby suspends all currently appointed members of the Sunrise Board, and further, that the following individuals be terminated, effective immediately, for failing to meet the expectations of the Tribal Council with respect to emergency situations and highly sensitive issues that impact the greater White Mountain Apache Tribe: Rochelle Lacapa, Bill London, and Hugh Kealer.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that the new management, and newly seated Board members, shall act promptly to provide the financial assistance promised for payment of funeral expenses related to the late Reggie Antonio.

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.

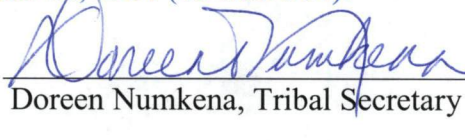
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, 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 **DECEMBER 13, 2017** duly adopted by a vote of **TEN** for and **ZERO** against with **ONE** 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

12-14-17
Date


Doreen Numkena, Tribal Secretary

12-15-17
Date