Resolution No. 01-2018-15



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (USDA Value-Added Producer Grant)

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has declared the development of Tribal Farm for production of local sustainable crops and sales of those crops as well as value-added products as a high priority and one which the Council have determined to be the most beneficial and productive; and
- WHEREAS, funding assistance is needed for a salaries, fringe, supplies, as well as other needs; and
- WHEREAS, the USDA Value-Added Producer Grant announced the availability of up to \$250,000 for projects that support economic development through sales of a value-added product; and
- WHEREAS, Ndee Bikiyaa (The People's Farm) of the White Mountain Apache Tribe plans to develop value-added Apache corn products; and
- WHEREAS, the Water Resources program and the Tribal Farm are working together on revitalizing the local food system through producing fresh and value-added food products for the community; and .
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has determined that a grant application to the USDA Value-added Producer Grant Program to benefit Tribal Farm is in the best interest of the Tribe.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the submission of the USDA Value-Added Producer grant application for January 31, 2018 and in the event that the Tribe receives grant funds, a budget for expenditure of said funds is hereby approved, subject to the terms and conditions of any applicable funding agreement and review thereof by the Tribe's Office of Attorney General.

**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.

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**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.



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**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 with NOAA and BIA, as required or necessary, to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on JANUARY 17, 2018 duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</u> for, <u>ZERO</u> against, and <u>TWO</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).

118 Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman Date Date