

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

## A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing the Transfer of the Adult Vocational Skill Center Building to the Division of Health Programs for Use as a Kennel)

- WHEREAS, the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Constitution") Article IV, Section 1(h) provides that the Tribal Council "Council" shall exercise the power "To regulate the uses and disposition of tribal property"; and
- WHEREAS, the Adult Vocational Skill Center Building is under the administration of the Tribal Education Department, but is currently not utilized; and
- WHEREAS, the Division of Health Program has expressed an interest in converting the Adult Vocational Skill Center and premises into a kennel to address the public health-related issues resulting from animals that are unhealthy, unvaccinated, untreated for illness and ticks, and that roam the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, this transfer will enable the Division of Health to promote public health, peace, and safety by preventing and controlling the spread of disease transmittable from animals to humans, preventing the abuse and neglect of animals, preventing the over-population and roaming of animals, and fostering a culture that promotes our role as caretakers of the animals on the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Education Department has considered this request and supports transferring the Adult Vocational Skill Center Building to the Division of Health Programs; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has discussed this matter and believes that the proposed transfer is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the transfer of the Adult Vocational Skill Center building and premises from the Tribal Education Department to the Division of Health Programs for use as a kennel.
- **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. <u>02-2019-27</u>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairwoman, or in her 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>FEBURARY 7, 2019</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</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).

Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman

Date

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date