



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Recognizing Native Women Scholars, Inc.)

- WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(r) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power “To enact ordinances governing the activities of voluntary associations organized for purposes of cooperation and other purposes”; and
- WHEREAS,** Native Women Scholars, Inc. (“NWS”) has raised \$137,000.00 to help local Native women, primarily members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, to attend college or attain higher education; and
- WHEREAS,** NWS provides additional support and emergency assistance to make these women successful in their educational endeavors, many of whom are far from their reservation homes for the first time; and
- WHEREAS,** NWS works with many Tribal members to produce “An Evening of Apache Culture”, an annual event which recognizes Native artists and artisans and familiarizes the broader White Mountain community with aspects of Apache culture and traditions; and
- WHEREAS,** Since 2013 when NWS gained nonprofit status, 29 students have been given a scholarship, two of whom were mothers of then scholarship recipients; and
- WHEREAS,** The 2017 graduates include: Breann Clarkson (NAU), Kristine Jones (UofA Magna Cum Laude), Pamela Morris (Ft. Lewis), Davette Susan (Ft. Lewis); 2018 Graduates include: Janie Sanchez (ASU Summa Cum Laude), Terrlynn Sanchez (NPC Nursing and continuing online with ASU for BSN), Fayrene Holden (American Indian College), and Lupe Canales (American Indian College), and; 2019 expected graduates include: Derayna DeClay (Institute of American Indian Art - Studio Arts), Kiana Carroll (UofA - Veterinary Science), and Latifah Pailzote (ASU - Law); and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council finds that the work NWS does contributes to the education of members of the Tribe, and to the Tribe’s overall best interests.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby formally recognizes and commends Native Women Scholars, Inc. as an organization that helps Native women scholars of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and is authorized to operate on the White Mountain Apache Reservation.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe endorses the work of Native Women Scholars, Inc. and its annual celebration of “An Evening of Apache Culture.”

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.

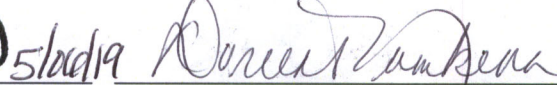
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairwoman, or in her absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on APRIL 24, 2019 duly adopted by a vote of TEN for, ZERO against, and ZERO 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

5-6-2019

Date