

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Request to Utilize Haystack Area for a Sunrise Dance)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Reservation ("Constitution") provides, at Article IV, Section 1(a) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power "To represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe"; and
- WHEREAS, Leon and Mitzi Tolino-Bonito are requesting to utilize the area of Haystack, five miles outside of McNary, Arizona for their daughter Cedar Bonito's traditional Sunrise Dance between September 13 and 15, 2019; and
- **WHEREAS**, The family requests to utilize this location for both the sponsors and co-sponsors to set up camp and prepare for the ceremony, as other tribal members have in the past; and
- **WHEREAS**, The family realizes and respects the beauty and peacefulness of this area, and seeks to use it specifically because it will provide a beautiful atmosphere for their daughter's sacred ceremony; and
- WHEREAS, The Council has reviewed the request of the family and finds that approving it will provide the family with an appropriate and beautiful forum for their daughter's ceremony.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the request of the Leon and Mitzi Tolino-Bonito family to utilize the area of Haystack, five (5) miles outside of McNary, Arizona.

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.

Resolution No. 07-2019-144

The foregoing resolution was on <u>JULY 3, 2019</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</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