

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing Tribal Departments, Leaders, and Employees to Apply for Science Technology Engineering Mathematics "STEM" Mini-Grants Offered Through the Rural Activation and Innovation Network's)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation 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, The Arizona Science Center, Arizona Technology Council, Arizona State University, COSI LLG, University of Texas, Houston, Karen Peterman, Arizona Scitech Institute, and the Rural Activation and Innovation Network ("RAIN") (collectively "Partners") have been awarded an informal science research grant from the National Science Foundation (identified as NSF DRL #1612555); and
- WHEREAS, The Partners are offering mini grants for community organizations, nonprofit clubs, civic associations, business supported partnerships, government institutions, and educational agencies to enhance, enrich, and create informal STEM opportunities throughout rural Arizona; and
- WHEREAS, The mini grants, which are available quarterly, and awarded through reimbursement upon completion of the projects, will help to develop and support the expansion of local informal Science Technology Engineering Math ("STEM") focused-projects and create STEM based professional development opportunities for community leaders and members; and
- **WHEREAS**, RAIN, this day, requests that the White Mountain Apache Tribe participate in this grant-funded project by allowing Tribal departments and other Tribal organizations to apply for the various mini-grants offered by the Partners; and
- **WHEREAS,** The Council has reviewed RAIN's proposal and finds that approving participation in these grant solicitations will provide the Tribe with important opportunities and will promote STEM learning on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes Tribal Departments and other Tribal organizations to apply for the various quarterly Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics mini-grants offered by the Partners.

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 <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

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