

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Renewal of the Tribe's Membership with the National Congress of American Indians)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Indian 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 to make decisions not inconsistent with this constitution"; and

WHEREAS, The National Congress of American Indians ("NCAI") is the oldest, largest and most representative American Indian and Alaska Native inter-tribal organization serving the broad interests of tribes and tribal communities across the United States; and

WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") has long maintained its membership in the NCAI, and has found that membership is beneficial to the Tribe's interests; and

WHEREAS, The Tribe wishes to remain a Member Indian/Native Government in Good Standing with NCAI; and

WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Tribe meets all requirements for Tribal Membership, pursuant to Article III – Members, Section B of the Constitution and By-Laws of NCAI; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the NCAI By-Laws, Article III, Section C(2), the membership dues for the White Mountain Apache Tribe amount to \$6,500.00, given the Tribe's revenues; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to continue its membership with the National Congress of American Indians.

BE IT RESOLVED that the White Mountain Apache Tribe, which is the official governing body of the above-named Tribe, hereby authorizes Tribal Chairwoman, Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, who is the official principal tribal official, to take the necessary actions to renew the Tribe's membership with NCAI.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tribal Funds in the amount of \$6,500.00, based on the Tribal Membership dues scheduled in the NCAI By-Laws, Article III – Members, Section C(2), are authorized to be paid to NCAI.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that based on the tribal enrollment of 16,000 persons, the White Mountain Apache Tribe shall have 180 votes, in accordance with Article III – Members, Section 1D.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Article III – Members, Section B 1(b) of the NCAI Constitution and By-Laws, the White Mountain Apache Tribe designates the following persons as Delegate and Alternate Delegate(s) and instructs them to become Individual Members in Good Standing with NCAI in order to fulfill their responsibilities as Official Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the National

Resolution No. 10-2019-206

Congress of American Indians Annual Convention	on, Executive Council Winter Session and Mid-Year
Conference:	
Primary Delegate – Gwendena Lee-Gatewood Title: Tribal Chairwoman	(Signature) September 2020
Alternate Delegate – Jerome Kasey III Title: Tribal Vice Chairman	(Signature) Term Expiration Date: October 2020
Alternate Delegate – Jerold Altaha Title: Tribal Councilmember	(Signature)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the membership renewal with the National Congress of American Indians.

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>OCTOBER 2, 2019</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for and <u>ONE</u> against with <u>ONE</u> abstaining 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).

wendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman

Date

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date