



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

**(Authorizing Burial of Non-Tribal Member Evelyn Bullis-Paxson
on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation)**

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council has been advised that Evelyn Bullis-Paxson, a member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe who was married for over 35 years to White Mountain Apache Tribal Member Travis Paxson, has passed away; and

WHEREAS, The family requests authorization for Mrs. Paxson to be buried at Chieftan Cemetery on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Reservation”); and

WHEREAS, Although Mrs. Paxson was not a member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, she resided on the Reservation for several decades and has Tribal member children and grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council finds that the request provided herein is consistent with the culture and tradition of White Mountain Apache Tribe who extends their sympathy to the family; and

WHEREAS, Given the current restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the urgency of the family’s need to begin the funeral arrangements, the Tribal Council further finds that the approval for assistance needs to be considered and made outside of its regularly scheduled meeting; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council further finds that: (1) this Resolution may be voted upon by signature of a member of the Tribal Council where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (2) the Tribal Council Secretary should attempt to obtain signatures from members of the Tribal Council personally, (3) no signature would mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, (4) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby grants permission to the family to arrange the burial of Evelyn Bullis-Paxson at the Chieftan Cemetery in Northfork.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that given the urgency of the request described herein, the Resolution may be considered outside of the Tribal Council’s regularly scheduled meeting and voted upon as follows: (a) by signature of a member of the Tribal Council, including the Chairwoman of the Tribal Council and the Vice-Chairman of the Tribal Council, where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (b) the Tribal Council Secretary shall attempt to obtain signatures from members of the Tribal Council personally, (c) no signature shall

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mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, (d) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature, and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

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.

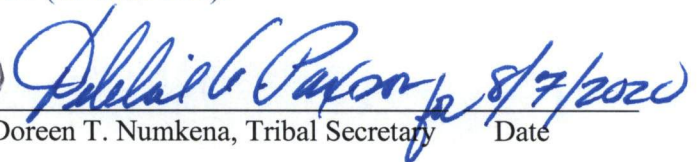
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairwoman, or in her absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on August 7, 2020 duly adopted by a vote of 16 for, 0 against, and 0 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

8/7/2020
Date



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

8/7/2020
Date

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Signatures of the members of the Tribal Council represent their approval of Tribal Council Resolution No: 07-2020-171 initiated the 29 day of JULY, 2020. Presented Personally by Tribal Council Secretary (TCS)-Indicated by Initials

Gwendena Lee-Gatewood 8/6/20 dep TCS Initials
Gwendena Lee-Gatewood
Tribal Chairwoman
Date Signed

Jerome Kasey, III
Vice Chairman

Date Signed

TCS Initials

Arnold Beach, Sr. Aug 3, 2020 dep TCS Initials
Arnold Beach, Sr.
District I Council Member
Date Signed

Travis Tessay 08/02/2020 dep TCS Initials
Travis Tessay
District I Council Member
Date Signed

Jerold Altaha August 6, 2020 dep TCS Initials
Jerold Altaha
District II Council Member
Date Signed

Renaldo Dazen
District II Council Member

Date Signed

TCS Initials

Aubrey Aday Sr. Aug. 3rd, 2020 dep TCS Initials
Aubrey Aday Sr.
District III Council Member
Date Signed

Alvin DeClay Sr. 08-03-20 dep TCS Initials
Alvin DeClay, Sr.
District III Council Member
Date Signed

Gary Alchesay
District IV Council Member

Date Signed

TCS Initials

Alvena Bush
District IV Council Member

Date Signed

TCS Initials

Kasey Velasquez
District IV Council Member

Date Signed

TCS Initials

ATTEST:
Doreen T. Numkena
Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Council Secretary

8/7/2020
Date Signed