



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Allocating \$2,500.00 for Elmer Lamson Burial and Funeral Expenses)

- WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(k) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power, “To appropriate tribal funds for tribal purposes...”; and
- WHEREAS,** The Council has been notified that Elmer Lamson, White Mountain Apache Tribal member and employee of the White Mountain Apache Police Department passed away on September 10, 2020; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Lamson was a much-loved member of our community, who was always friendly to all and ready to encourage others with a smile and positive words; and
- WHEREAS,** Elmer was also recognized nation-wide as a law-enforcement trainer and consultant, bringing honor and recognition to the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** Elmer’s contributions of time, of expertise, and of the programs that he established on the Tribe’s behalf will live on long into the future; and
- WHEREAS,** The Council wishes, at this time, as a token of appreciation and honor to the memory of the late Elmer Lamson, to assist his family by contributing \$2,500.00 for his funeral and burial expenses, in addition to the \$2,500.00 customarily paid in behalf of those who pass as a result of COVID-19.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribe hereby allocates, in addition to the customary \$2,500.00 of funds for COVID-19 casualties, an additional \$2,500.00 for the burial and funeral expenses for the late Elmer Lamson.

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.

Resolution No. 09-2020-224

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 **SEPTEMBER 15, 2020** 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).

	<u>9/16/2020</u>		<u>9-17-2020</u>
Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman	Date	Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary	Date