

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing the Tribe's SORNA Program to Apply for the SMART FY2021 Adam Walsh Implementation Program Grant)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(j) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power, "To accept grants and donations from any person, state, or the United States"; and WHEREAS. The Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, P.L. 109-248, (the "Act"), created the National Sex Offender Registration and Notification System, by which congress required all jurisdictions to implement the provisions of the Act by July 27, 2009; and WHEREAS. The Act empowered states to enforce its provisions on Indian reservations that do not affirmatively elect to comply; and WHEREAS, The Tribe, through its efforts, achieved substantial implementation of the Act and operations of its Sex Offender Registration Act Office ("SORNA") within the White Mountain Apache Police Department; and WHEREAS, To continue to operate its SORNA Office and comply with applicable federal laws, the Tribe relies on grants from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs and the SMART Office; and WHEREAS. The Tribe's SORNA Program, at this time, seeks authorization to apply for the FTY 2021 Adam Walsh Implementation Program Grant (the "Grant"), which requires no tribal match; and WHEREAS, If awarded, the Grant will be used to maintain, enhance, and expand the Tribe's SORNA program services and continue to ensure that the Tribe remains in compliance with the
- **WHEREAS**, Council has considered the request and finds that authorizing the Grant application will help the Tribe maintain its SORNA program and is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members.

Act, protecting and preserving the Tribe's sovereignty; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribe's SORNA program is hereby authorized to apply for the SMART Office FY2021 Support Adam Walsh Implementation Grant on the Tribe's behalf, and instructed to make a timely and complete submission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that should the Grant be awarded, the SORNA Program and the Tribal Treasurer shall prepare an account and budget for receipts and expenditures thereof.

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>JANUARY 6, 2021</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>ELEVEN</u> for, <u>ZERO</u> against, and <u>ZERO</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