Resolution No. 04-2021-66



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (Authorizing White Mountain Apache Housing Authority to Submit the 2021 Tribal HUD-VASH Expansion Grant Application and Future Tribal HUD-VASH Grants on Behalf of the White Mountain Apache Tribe)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Constitution") provides, at Article IV, Section 1(j) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power "[t]o accept grants and donations from any person, State, or the United States"; and
- WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Housing Authority ("WMAHA") was established by the Tribe as its Tribally Designated Housing Entity ("TDHE"); and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal HUD-VASH Program is a combined effort between the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") and the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs ("VA") to assist homeless veterans and their families afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing; and
- WHEREAS, WMAHA has identified an opportunity to apply for the 2021 Tribal HUD-VASH Expansion Grant (the "Grant") up to the amount of \$2,234,432.00; and
- WHEREAS, If awarded, the Grant does not require a local or tribal match of funds; and
- WHEREAS, The Council recognizes that there is a large number of low-income veterans living on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation who need housing assistance and that WMAHA is best suited to apply for the 2021 Tribal HUD-VASH grant and all future Tribal HUD-VASH grants; and
- WHEREAS, The Council has reviewed the request by WMAHA and finds that authorizing it to apply for a grant for the 2021 HUD-VASH Expansion Grant and to apply for all future Tribal HUD-VASH grants could help the Tribe provide safe and affordable housing to our veterans and is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the White Mountain Apache Housing Authority to apply for a grant for the 2021 Tribal HUD-VASH Expansion Grant and all future Tribal HUD-VASH program grants.

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**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>APRIL 7, 2020</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).

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Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman

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Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary