

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Intergovernmental Agreement between the Tribe Police Department and Gila County for Mutual Police Assistance)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(b) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power, "To negotiate, make and perform contracts of every description, not inconsistent with federal law or [the] constitution, with any person, association, or corporation, with any municipality or any county, or with the State of Arizona or the United States, including with the State of Arizona for rendition of public services"; and
- WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Police Department ("WMAPD") and the Tribe, regularly enter into Inter-Governmental Agreements ("IGA") with the neighboring jurisdictions to allow for mutual assistance with enforcing one another's traffic and criminal laws; and
- WHEREAS, The current mutual assistance law enforcement IGA between the Tribe and the Gila County expired in July of 2020; and
- WHEREAS, The WMAPD, this day, presents for approval a new IGA (attached and incorporated herein by reference), which is essentially the same as the previous one and does not include any waiver of the Tribe's immunity, nor mandate any response or action that is not already mandated under law, and effective for a term of three years; and
- WHEREAS, The Council has reviewed the new IGA and funds that its approval will help with the enforcement of the Tribe's traffic and criminal laws and will assist our own understaffed law enforcement personnel, 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 the attached Inter-Governmental Agreement between the Tribe and Gila County for mutual assistance between the White Mountain Apache Police Department and Gila County Sheriff's Office is hereby approved.
- **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>JUNE 2, 2021</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</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

6.2.2/ Date

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date