

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Allocating \$16.5M of the Tribe's American Rescue Plan Act Funds for Renovation of Memorial Hall, Cibecue Gym, and Boys & Club)

- 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 Tribe received Fiscal Recovery Funds from the federal government as provided by the American Rescue Plan Act (Pub. L. 117-2)("ARPA"), which are intended to provide support of state, local and tribal governments in responding to the impacts of COVID-19, and in their efforts to contain the spread of this disease amongst their communities; and
- WHEREAS, Among eligible uses of Fiscal Recovery Funds, provided for in federal guidelines, include pay-go funded construction projects and maintenance under the Government Services umbrella; and
- WHEREAS, The above purpose of Fiscal Recovery Funds will be served by the proposed allocation because it will assist with improving the mental and physical health of the tribal members and help underprivileged communities, and make available essential local services and infrastructure; and
- WHEREAS, The Council finds that utilizing \$16.5M of ARPA funds for renovation of: Memorial Hall (\$9.5M); Cibecue Gym (\$3.2M); and the Boys & Girls Camp renovation (\$3.8M), is an advisable and allowable use of these funds, 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 allocates \$16.5M of the Tribe's ARPA funds for the Memorial Hall, Cibecue Gym and the Boys & Girls Camp renovations.

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. <u>08-2021-163</u>

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>August 23, 2021</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for, <u>ONE</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