

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Certifying 2022 Election Candidates for Tribal Council, Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 8 that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall "...have the power to prescribe ordinances governing the conduct of referendums and elections."

WHEREAS, The Tribe's Election Code, at Section 4.10, requires that the Council certify and declare candidates for office and declare that each is a candidate for the office for which they submitted petitions; and

WHEREAS, The Election Commission, this day, advises the Council that each individual listed below meets the criteria provided by the Election Code and Constitution, and therefore are qualified for nomination by the Council; and

WHEREAS, The Council finds that certifying the below-named individuals as qualified candidates will allow the 2022 General Election to proceed, 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 pursuant to the Election Code and Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, it is hereby declared that the following individuals are hereby certified as duly-nominated candidates for the offices for which they submitted petition, and as provided below:

Office of the Chairman

Rea Goklish Gwendena Lee-Gatewood Kasey Velasquez

District I Council Distri

Tony F. Alsenay Travis Tessay, Sr. District II Council
Renaldo Dazen

Aubrey Aday, Sr.

Jerome Kasey III

Office of the Vice-Chairman

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District III Council Alvin Declay, Sr. Annette Tenijieth

District IV Council (2 Seats)

Gary Alchesay Alvena Bush Mariddie J. Craig Jessie Williams-Gushoney

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that, pursuant to Section 5.1(C) of the Election Code, only the election for the Office of the Chairman shall be subject to a Primary Election.

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 **JANUARY 11, 2022** 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 underthe 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).

> > Date

Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary