

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Allocating American Rescue Plan Act of 20201 Funds for Information Technology Upgrades)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(s) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power, "To regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes"; an
- WHEREAS, The Tribe has received funding from the American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") of 2021 to assist in mitigating and responding to the threat of COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS, Information technology infrastructure is considered an eligible use under section §35.6 Eligible Uses on Page 122 of the published guidelines; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribe's Information Technology ("IT") department advises the Council that it needs investment to update and upgrade the Tribe's IT capabilities and equipment; and
- **WHEREAS**, The Council finds that allocating funds, as proposed by the IT Department, is permissible and 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 a portion of the Tribe's American Rescue Plan Act funds for those purchases requested by the Tribe's Information Technology Department.

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>March 10, 2022</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

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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