



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Appointing the Cultural Advisory Board)

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... appoint subordinate committees, commissions, boards, advisory or otherwise, Tribal officials and employees not otherwise provided for in [the] constitution, and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes”; and

WHEREAS, The Tribe’s Cultural Advisory Board (the “Board”) is comprised to elders and other persons acquainted with the language and traditional culture of the Tribe, and serves an advisory body to the Tribe and its departments to guide relevant decisions; and

WHEREAS, The Council finds, at this time, that appointing the following individuals to serve on the Board will help guide important decisions and policies, and is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members:

- Abner Tessay;
- Ramon Riley;
- Bernie Santamaria;
- Victor Edwards;
- Lincoln Sanchez;
- Redina Skidmore;
- Marian Patterson;
- Ann Skidmore;
- Bernice Caddo;
- Rowena Cooya.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that Abner Tessay, Ramon Riley, Bernie Santamaria, Victor Edwards, Lincoln Sanchez, Redina Skidmore, Marian Patterson, Ann Skidmore, Bernice Caddo and Rowena Cooya are hereby appointed and shall serve as the Tribe’s Cultural Advisory Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that previous members of the Board, not named above, are hereby dismissed with thanks from their service to the Tribe.

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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 Chairman, or in his 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 MAY 23, 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 under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on November 10, 2021, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Kasey Velasquez 6.6.2022
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman Date
White Mountain Apache Tribe

Vaneyssa Johnson 6/6/2022
Vaneyssa Johnson, Tribal Secretary Date