



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Reaffirming Vice -Chairman Jerome Kasey III's Designation as the Tribe's Sole Official Public Information Officer)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(a) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power, "To represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe..."; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution 07-1999-165, the Council established a Public Information Officer ("PIO") to deliver information to the public, Tribal officials and the news media; and

WHEREAS, The Role of PIO is essential during times of emergency, so that the Tribe can be represented and disseminate necessary information through one unified voice to avoid confusion; and

WHEREAS, Vice-Chairman Jerome Kasey III was designated by the previous administration and Tribal Council to serve as the Tribe's PIO, and has since continued to fulfil that role; and

WHEREAS, Council finds, at this time, that reaffirming the designation of Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey III as the Tribe's sole and only official PIO will help the Tribe speak in a unified and clear manner, 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 in hereby designates Vice-Chairman Jerome Kasey III as the Tribe's only official Public Information Officer for the Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that all programs and departments shall coordinate with Mr. Kasey, who shall work with the Council and the Tribal Attorney General's office to ensure accuracy of information prior to issuing any release of information to the public, Tribal officials and the news media.

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. 06-2022-164

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 JUNE 3, 2022 duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT for, ZERO against, and ONE 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 6-3-2022 Daneysa Johnson 6/3/2022
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman Date Daneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary Date