



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

## A Sovereign Tribal Nation

### **(Authorizing Temporary Deputization of Navajo Nation Police Department and San Carlos Apache Tribal Police and Other Law Enforcement Agencies on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation)**

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**WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(b) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power, “To negotiate, make and perform contracts and agreements of every description...with any municipality or any county...”; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribe regularly cross-deputizes neighboring jurisdictions to allow for assistance with enforcing traffic and criminal laws; and

**WHEREAS,** The White Mountain Apache Police Department (“WMAPD”) has made a request to the Navajo Nation Police Department and the San Carlos Apache Tribal Police to provide assistance with enforcing the Tribe’s criminal and traffic laws on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation during this time of crisis; and

**WHEREAS,** The Council has considered this request by WMAPD and finds that authorizing this temporary deputization of additional law enforcement agencies will help ensure the safety on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, 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 temporarily authorizes temporary deputization of the Navajo Nation Police Department, the San Carlos Apache Tribal Police, and other law enforcement agencies and personnel, as WMAPD deems necessary, to render emergency assistance on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation until dismissed by the WMAPD.

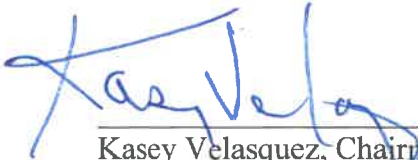
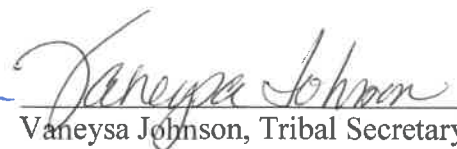
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution 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.

**Resolution No. 06-2022-165**

The foregoing resolution was on **JUNE 3, 2022** duly adopted by a vote of **NINE** 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).

	<u>6.3.2022</u>		<u>6/3/2022</u>
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman White Mountain Apache Tribe	Date	Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary	Date