



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Assistance for Officer Adrian Lopez’s Wife and Immediate Family)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(k) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power, “To appropriate Tribal funds for Tribal purposes...”; and

WHEREAS, On June 3, 2022, Officer Adrian Lopez of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Police was killed in the line of duty while protecting our White Mountain Apache people, incurring a debt that the Tribe can never fully repay; and

WHEREAS, Officer Lopez’s family will need to travel to the Reservation to make funeral arrangements and participate in memorial services, as well as transport their fallen hero back home for burial; and

WHEREAS, The Council finds it appropriated and necessary to render this assistance to the family at this time, as a token of the Tribe’s gratitude towards and honor for Officer Adrian Lopez.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that assistance funds are hereby allocated to provide travel, lodging, meal assistance, and other necessary financial support at this time to Officer Lopez’s wife and immediate family, as defined in the Tribe’s Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribe’s Treasurer, Controller, and Insurance Agent, Sue Drenth, shall coordinate with The White Mountain Apache Police Department and the family to appropriate and deliver the necessary funds to the family for planning and conducting memorial and funeral services, preparing the remains, transporting Officer Lopez back home for burial, as well as travel, lodging, meals and incidental expenses for his wife and immediate relatives.

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. 06-2022-166

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 **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>Kasey Velasquez</u>	<u>6-3-2022</u>	<u>Janeysa Johnson</u>	<u>6/3/2022</u>
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman	Date	Janeysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary	Date
White Mountain Apache Tribe			