

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing Those Cattle Associations Chartered under Tribal Law to Purchase Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Program Insurance Through Agent/Provider CKP Insurance LLC)

- 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"; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribe has chartered ten livestock associations for the management of the herds which the Tribe and Tribal members have ownership interests in, and for the productive management of grazing lands on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation"); and

WHEREAS, These livestock associations include:

- Forestdale:
- Canyon Day;
- Grasshopper;
- Cedar Creek:
- Carrizo:
- Turkey Creek;
- North Fork;
- Oak Creek;
- Cibecue; and
- White Mountain Apache Tribal Herd; and
- WHEREAS, The Council has determined that it wishes to participate in the Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Insurance Program (the "Insurance Program"), sponsored by the United States Department of Agriculture, which provides payments to farmers and ranchers to offset precipitation shortfalls; and
- **WHEREAS,** The Council has selected CKP Insurance, LLC as the provider/agent for the Program, and Great American Insurance Company as the insurance provider; and
- WHEREAS, Payment of premiums are to be paid by the respective livestock associations when possible, and subsidized and backed by the Tribe when necessary; and

WHEREAS, The Council finds that authorizing the livestock associations' participation in the insurance Program, with the above-stated companies will help to stabilize and protect the Tribe's farming and ranching operations, 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 those abovenamed livestock associations, chartered under Tribal law, are hereby authorized to participate in the USDA Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Insurance Program, utilizing CKP Insurance, LLC as the provider/agent for the Program, and Great American Insurance Company as the insurance provider.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that insurance premiums for the Program shall be paid by the respective cattle associations and subsidized and backed by the Tribe when necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that any and all indemnity benefits received in excess of the premium obligation will be distributed 50% to the livestock associations and 50% to a separate account to be created by the Tribal Treasurer to benefit those departments of the Tribe that implement the Tribe's Agricultural Infrastructure Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that any and all proceeds shall be managed and utilized by the Tribe's departments and the livestock associations in accordance with the Tribe's Agricultural Infrastructure Fund.

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 **NOVEMBER 23, 2022** duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN 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, Chairman

Velasquez, Chairman

Date

Varieysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary

Date