

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing a Grant Application from the WMAT Division of Transportation to Install Weather Reporting Equipment Rehab Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS))

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation") provides, at Article IV, Section 1(a) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power "[t]o represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe", and in Section 1(j) "[t]o accept grants and donations from any person, state, or the United States"; and
- **WHEREAS,** The White Mountain Apache Tribe's ("Tribe") Division of Transportation ("DOT") is responsible for administering and maintaining the Tribe's transportation infrastructure, including airports; and
- WHEREAS, The DOT has identified an opportunity to apply for the Install Weather Reporting Equipment Rehab Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) grant in the amount of \$330,000.00; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council has reviewed and determined that applying for the grant will help protect, improve, and maintain the Tribe's airport, and is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS, Given the urgency of the situation, the Tribal Council further finds that this needs to be considered and made outside of its regularly scheduled meeting; and
- WHEREAS, The Council further finds that: (1) this Resolution may be voted upon by signature of a member of the Tribal Council where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution; (2) the Tribal Council Secretary should attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally; (3) no signature means that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, and; (4) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Division of Transportation to submit a grant application, in the amount of \$330,000.00, for the Install Weather Reporting Equipment Rehab Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that given the urgency of the request described herein, this Resolution may be voted upon as follows: (a) by signature of a member of the Tribal Council, including the Chairman of the Tribal Council and the Vice-Chairman of the Tribal Council, where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (b) the Tribal Council Secretary shall attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally, (c) no signature shall mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, (d) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature, and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

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 MARCH 31, 2023 duly adopted by a vote of
for, against, and 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

Date

Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary

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