

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving the 2023-2024 Tribal Member Hunting Regulations)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation") provides, at Article IV, Section 1(f), that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power "To protect and preserve the wildlife, plant life, forests, natural resources and water rights of the Tribe, and to regulate hunting and fishing on the Reservation"; and
- WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Game & Fish Department ("Game & Fish Department") comes before the Tribal Council to request approval of the 2023-2024 Tribal Member Hunting Regulations (attached hereto and incorporated by reference); and
- WHEREAS, Game & Fish Department staff advises the Tribal Council that the hunting seasons, bag limits, and regulations ("Regulations") are based on sound biological principles, surveys and methods; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council has reviewed the recommended Regulations and finds that they will provide sustainable management of Tribal wildlife resources and that their adoption 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 approves the 2023-2024 Tribal Member Hunting Regulations, as attached and incorporated by reference.

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 <u>JULY 05, 2023</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>FIVE</u> for, <u>FOUR</u> against, and <u>ONE</u> abstentions by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the

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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

Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary Date