

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Appointing Lonnie Shane Burnette as General Manager of Apache Enterprise)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(i) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power "[t]o manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe", and in Article IV, Section 1(s), "to appoint subordinate committees, commissions, boards, advisory or otherwise, Tribal officials and employees... and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes"; and
- WHEREAS, On September 18, 2023, via Resolution No. 09-2023-215, the Council appointed Ariane Tucker as the Interim General Manager of Apache Enterprise until the position is permanently filled; and
- **WHEREAS,** On this day, Tribal member, Lonnie Shane Burnette, was nominated to be appointed as the General Manager of Apache Enterprise; and
- WHEREAS, The Council finds that appointing Lonnie Shane Burnette as the General Manager of Apache Enterprise will enable Apache Enterprise to continue operating with minimal disruptions, 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 Lonnie Shane Burnette is hereby appointed as the General Manager of Apache Enterprise, effective immediately.

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>JANUARY 3, 2024</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</u> for, <u>TWO</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 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

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Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary

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