

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing a Grant Application From the Tribe's Division of Transportation for the Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund)

- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("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", in Section 1(i) "[t]o manage all economic affairs and enterprises 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 Tribe's Division of Transportation ("DOT") has identified a funding opportunity through the Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund FY 2024 Grant ("Grant") solicited by the Federal Highway Administration; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund is intended to reduce fatal and serious injuries in transportation-related incidents, and the funding may be used to support various projects including:
 - Development and update of transportation safety plans
 - Safety data assessment, improvement, and analysis
 - Systemic roadway departure countermeasures
 - Infrastructure improvements, and other eligible activities; and
- WHEREAS, Applications for the FY 2024 funding cycle will be accepted through January 15, 2024; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council has reviewed the request, and finds that authorizing the Division of Transportation to apply for the grant funding opportunity 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

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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 Tribe's Division of Transportation to submit an FY 2024 grant application for the Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund.

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 <u>JANUARY 12, 2024</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>10</u> for, <u>against</u>, and <u>abstentions</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

Date

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Signatures of the members of the Tribal Council represent their approval of Tribal Council Resolution

Initiated the 12 th day of January, 2024.

Presented Personally by Tribal Council Secretary (TCS)-Indicated by Initials

Kasey Velasquez Tribal Chairman	Date Signed	TCS Initials
Jerome Kasey, III Vice Chairman		TCS Initials
Arnold Beach, Sr. District I Council Member	Jan 12 302 Y Date Signed	TCS Initials
Travis J. Tessay, Sr. DAtrict I Council Member	Date Signed	TCS Initials
Jerold Altaha District II Council Member	- 2+24 Date Signed	TCS Initials
Renaldo Dazen District II Council Member	12 Jan 2024 Date Signed	TCS Initials
Aubrey Aday, Sr. District III Council Member	Jan 12th, 2024 Date Signed	TCS Initials
Annette Tenijieth. District III Council Member	Date Signed	TCS Initials
Gary Alchesay District IV Council Member	01-12-2024 Date Signed	TCS Initials
Mariddie Graig District IV Council Member	01-12-2024 Date Signed	TCS Initials
Verna Westover District IV Council Member	01/12/2024 Date Signed	TCS Initials
ATTEST: Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Council Secretary	Date Signed	12024