

RESOLUTION OF THE  
 WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
 FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

WHEREAS, due to the enactment of Public Law 280 and the threat of state funds to assume criminal and/or civil jurisdiction of the tribes, Tribal Councils could not institute a long range efficient jurisdictional and law enforcement program on their reservations, and

WHEREAS, the recent passage of the urban amendments eliminated the rights of respective states to assume criminal and civil jurisdiction of the reservations without the consent of the Indian people, and

WHEREAS, the passage of said amendments instilled in most Tribal Councils the desire to immediately carry out all of the civil rights requirements of the said bill, and

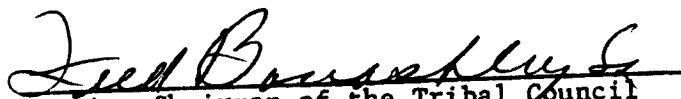
WHEREAS, there has been a new bill, H. R. 16991, which in effect, would eliminate the right of the Indian peoples to consent to the assumption of criminal and/or civil jurisdiction over their reservations, and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council was shocked by this action.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chairman is hereby directed to notify all of the Arizona Congressional Delegation that the White Mountain Apaches are vehemently opposed to the passage of H. R. 16991.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congressional Delegation be advised that the Indian peoples be given a chance to comply with all of the civil rights requirements of congress without the threat of the states to assume jurisdiction over their reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on June 5, 1968 duly adopted by a vote of 10 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

  
 Acting Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
 Secretary of the Tribal Council

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