

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

WHEREAS, it is the intention and desire of the Tribal Council to protect the interests of the Tribal members and to promote their welfare, and

WHEREAS, any individual non-member who causes serious dissension and a potential threat of violence on the reservation through undesirable and unauthorized mission work does not so act in the best interests of the tribal members and does not so act to promote their welfare, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jack Townsend, an independent missionary on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation has been the subject of numerous allegations of such activities and who has been continuously denied authorization for the establishment of a mission for the past three years, and

WHEREAS, tribal authority and law have not proven effective in controlling these activities, with regard to both the protection of civil rights and the prevention of political dispute and civil disruption.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it is hereby requested that the Superintendent investigate all of the activities of Mr. Jack Townsend which are alleged to have caused civil disruption, dissension or any other such disturbance of the desired peace and tranquility of tribal members on the reservation, and that upon verifying such allegations the Superintendent shall ask Mr. Jack Townsend to leave the reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is also requested that the Solicitor's Office furnish legal assistance to expell Mr. Jack Townsend from the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and to prohibit him from further carrying on any such undesirable and unauthorized activities within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 1975 duly adopted by a vote of 9 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).



Lew Johnson Jr.

Acting Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council