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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is an unincorporated Tribe of Indians having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 13, 1934, and the recognized governing body of the Tribe is known as the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council, and
- WHEREAS, the President of the United States has stated it is the official policy of the government to promote and foster Indian self-determination in all areas of endeavor, and
- WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has recognized the need for Indian people to be responsible for their own educational institutions by enactment of the Indian Education Act of 1972, and
- WHEREAS, if these policies are to be effectively implemented, Indian control of their own education institutions is an absolute necessity, and
- WHEREAS, there is a recognized need for Indian control of those institutions concerning Indian welfare, as indicated by the Presidential policy of Indian self-determination and, specifically, responsibility for their own educational institutions as designated by P.L. 93-638 Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act which was passed and signed into law January 4, 1975, and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council officially proposes to establish an institute of higher learning on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, the members of the Western Interstate Commission for High Education is available and willing to assist the tribe in undertaking community control of post-secondary higher education, and
- WHEREAS, such community controlled colleges are undertaking a challenge which other institutions have generally failed to meet, and are attempting to answer such community needs with funds and manpower greatly insufficient to the magnitude of the task, and
- WHEREAS, funding through P.L. 93-638 Title IV Part C will assist the tribe to the further growth and enrichment of these unique institutions, and
- WHEREAS, this institution, Apache Community College, will be governed by Indian persons who live in and are aware of the needs of their communities and are committed to the preservation and development of Indianness.

- BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council authorizes application under Part C of P.L. 93-638 for \$45,000.00 for a planning and feasibility study of Indian controlled community colleges such as the proposed Title IV Project, Apache Community College to be located on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the objectives and need for this assistance and the summary budget are made a part of this resolution.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Chairman of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to consumate the said grant.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Patricia Locke, Director of Planning Resource in Minority Education, Boulder, Colorado, is hereby requested to offer technical assistance in areas such as, proposal writing, planning and feasibility study of the proposed Apache Community College.

The foregoing resolution was on February 4, 1976 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).

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