

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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is presently involved in a fact-finding stage of negotiations on the quantification of water in the Salt River watershed, and
- WHEREAS, such negotiations are to be undertaken with Salt River Project and other parties with interests in such water quantification, and
- WHEREAS, Salt River Project has instigated proceedings before the Arizona Land Commission for the purpose of quantifying Salt River water rights, and
- WHEREAS, the negotiations proposed between the parties interested in this matter can only proceed on a satisfactory basis if all parties agree and act in a non-adversary atmosphere and free from the pressures of ongoing litigation of any other party, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has authorized the Tribal Water Rights Committee to proceed in the investigation and discussions necessary to enter such proposed negotiations in good faith and with the intent of resolving water conflicts in the Salt River watershed, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Interior as trustee.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it strongly urges the Salt River Project to exercise all efforts possible to detain any and all litigation or legal proceedings which involve quantification of water in the Salt River watershed, in the interests of producing effective negotiations of such matters with the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

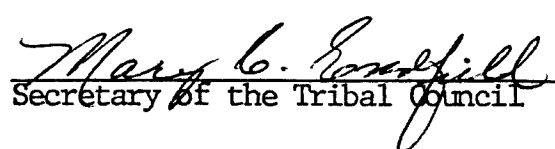
The foregoing resolution was on May 31, 1978 duly adopted by a vote of 10 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (b) and (f) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 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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