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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is informed and advised that President Reagan has proposed the abolishment of the Legal Services Corporation which funds all legal aid offices in the United States of America, and
- WHEREAS, the members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe are served by Apache Legal Aid, one of the many offices funded by the Legal Services Corporation, and
 - WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes that its members need the services of professional attorneys, but often cannot afford to pay for such services, and
 - WHEREAS, the Tribal Council further recognizes that the services provided by Apache Legal Aid attorneys have included the employment and education of tribal members as advocates and legal representatives in the White Mountain Apache Tribal Courts, all in furtherance of the development of this Tribe's system of justice and, ultimately, its sovereignty, and
 - WHEREAS, legal aid offices are often the only source of legal help for the poor, and particularly Indian people, and
 - WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe, because of geographic isolation.
 - BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache
 Tribe that it hereby supports and advocates the continued
 funding of the Legal Services Corporation, so that offices
 such as Apache Legal Aid can continue to serve the poor
 people of this country.
 - BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent forthwith to President Reagan and all Senators and Representatives from Arizona.

The foregoing resolution was on April 07, 1981 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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council