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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, through Council Resolutions 81-39 and 81-75, has established as its top-priority Reservation development program the rehabilitation and restoration of rangelands and forestlands and the protection, utilization and conservation of water resources, and
- WHEREAS, a principal component of this natural resource program is the Canyon Day Storage and Hydropower Project, scheduled and budgeted for construction in FY 1982 at a cost of \$1.5 million, and
- WHEREAS, there is an urgent requirement for funding to accomplish necessary surveys, investigations, environmental assessments, and project designs at the earliest practicable date; said planning and design activities enumerated in the attached Dam Preparation Budget, which is incorporated herein by reference, and
- WHEREAS, the Dam Preparation Budget is eligible for funding as an essential component of the \$1.5 million budget of the Canyon Day Storage and Hydropower Project, and
- WHEREAS, in order to avoid delays to these crucial planning and design activities, it becomes necessary to obtain funds (in lieu of scarce Tribal resources) through commercial bank loans as required.
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council hereby reaffirms its determination to carry forward agressively its program of natural resource rehabilitation and development; said program to be funded from the plentiful resources of the Trustee United States.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council authorizes and approves a commercial bank loan in the amount of \$245,000. in the name of the Tribe for the purposes outlined above to be used as necessary to expedite the Canyon Day Storage and Hydropower Project and to ensure completion of planning and design requirements prior to Congressional consideration of FY 1982 budget appropriations.

The foregoing resolution was on August 7, 1981 duly adopted by a vote of 7 for and NONE 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

