RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is committed to the protection of its natural resources; particularly water for present and future uses, and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is also committed to the health and well being of its tribal members, and
- WHEREAS, existing solid waste disposal sites are hazards to the health and well being of tribal members and Reservation residents and may be classed as "open burning dumps", and
- WHEREAS, these disposal sites both on personal and on community property endanger health by polluting waters of the Reservation, releasing smoke, possibly toxic, to the air over the Reservation, threatening spreading fires and forest fires, supporting a large population of stray dogs, cats, horses, rodents, flies and other organisms which spread disease, litter road and dump sites with hazards to collectors, disposers and their vehicles, and
- WHEREAS, the litter, smoke and odors around yards and waste collection sites are unpleasant to residents and visitors, and
- WHREAS, the most economical solution to the existing health hazards and unpleasant conditions is the establishment of a collection system that provides weekly collection to all residents and a Sanitary Landfill that provides safe disposal and a daily cover of wastes with earth, and
- WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Committee, the Health, Education and Welfare Committee, the Citizen's Advisory Group to the Water Quality Management Planning Department and the Tribal Council and the Indian Health Service have voted support for this Proposed Strategy, and
- WHEREAS, residents have no significant alternative to the present situation without adequate funding and a Management System, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has requested funds for this facility from BIA and $\operatorname{\mathsf{HUD}}$, and
- WHEREAS, at least some of these funds will become available in the near future, and
- WHEREAS, a Management Agency for the proposed system will be necessary as soon as funds become available, and
- WHEREAS, the Utility Authority Ordinance, Number 93, of November 1, 1972, allows the Utility Authority to assume this responsibility, and

- WHEREAS, the Board of the White Mountain Apache Utility Authority, has resolved that Ordinance No. 93 be amended to state that the Utility Authority is now prepared to undertake this responsibility under the management of a professionally qualified Division Head as soon as funds become available and a detailed plan of operations is ready for use.
- WHEREAS, the Utility Authority has resolved that it authorizes the Tribal Council to approve this amendment to Ordinance No. 93 and to designate it as the agency responsible for the management of this tribal function.
- WHEREAS, the Utility Authority has resolved that this amendment be developed and incorporated into Ordinance No. 93 with the expertise of the Tribal Water Quality Management Planner, the Tribal Economic Development Planner and the Tribal Attorney.
- BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by The Tribal Council of The White Mountain Apache Tribe to authorize the amendment of Ordinance No. 93 to designate the White Mountain Apache Utility Authority as having the authority and responsibility to provide Solid Waste Management under the management of a Professional Division Head as soon as funds become available and a detailed Plan of Operations is ready for use.

The foregoing resolution was on December 03, 1981 duly adopted by a vote of 7 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 on 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