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

- WHEREAS, the Presidential Commission on Indian Reservation Economics was established to advise the President on what actions should be taken to develop a stronger private sector on Federally recognized Indian reservations, lessen tribal dependence on Federal monies and programs and reduce Federal presence in Indian Affairs, and
- WHEREAS, the Presidential Commission has issued its final report to the President that contains a number of sound recommendations, but also a number of recommendations that could be extremely damaging to tribal governments and Indian interests if implemented, and
- WHEREAS, in meeting the goals of the Presidential Commission, it is apparent that Commission recommendations have been overzealous in their ambitions to access reservations to the private sector and intensitive to the impact that some of their recommendations would have on Indian communities such as the elimination of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and weakening of tribal governments and soveriegnty.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby rejects the Final Report of the Presidential Commission on Indian Reservation Economics for its failure to fully analyze the impact of its recommendations and for positing the goals of the Commission with little concern for the great damage they might cause to tribal government.

The foregoing resolution was on January 10, 1985 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 (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

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