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

- WHEREAS, on June 20, 1985, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe reviewed and approved the 1985 Tribal Overall Economic Development Plan Update, which on June 17, 1985 was reviewed and approved by the White Mountain Apache OEDP Committee, and
- WHEREAS, said resolution (copy attached) specifically authorizes improvements and development within the agricultural industry, including continued coordination with the Tribal Farm and a crops diversification program for the Tribal Fair, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Farm Manager, Fort Apache Agency Land Operations Office, and the Tribal Planning Office have carefully evaluated the economic feasibility of various cash crops (diversified) pursuant thereto, and
- WHEREAS, the Granny Smith apple variety is now successfully grown and marketed in Cochise County, Arizona, and very detailed feasibility analysis indicate that this apple variety will demonstrate similar characteristics on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation because of elevation, climate and existing land and water resources, and the industry experience of the Granny Smith apple (net profits of \$9,000.00/acre after ten project years), and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Farm Manager has an excellent record of diversified agricultural management, and the Fort Apache Agency Land Operations Branch has highly qualified personnel to assist and support the Tribal Farm Manager in crops diversification development, and the Tribal Planning Office can assist in capitalization and planning requirements; and
- WHERFAS, the Tribal Farm has excellent project resources available, including substantial field equipment, abundant irrigation water and facilities of high quality to the project site, ample subjugated Class I land, and a history of apple orchards on the reservation.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe apply to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Land Operations, for \$302,000.00 in project funding for the purchase of 50,000 apple trees and the necessary installed irrigation site equipment.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Farm is authorized to establish a one-hundred (100) acre apple orchard project with suitable, industry-standard management/operations plan and Tribal Articles of Incorporation, and that the necessary project equipment and supplies not procured through Land Operations funding shall be the object of funding applications in FY/86 through the Bureau of Indian Affairs Economic Development Grant program and as necessary, other approved federal and non-tribal financial resources.

The foregoing resolution was on September 17, 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

Secretary of the Tribal Council

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