

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised by representatives of the Cedar Creek Livestock Association and tribal members who claim ancestral rights to certain portions of land in the Big Spring area, that the Amos and Pettis families are attempting to fence lands in the Big Spring area in violation of the prior rights of the Cedar Creek Livestock Association and Tribal Members claiming ancestral rights; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is further advised that this property dispute has continued for sometime and that the Land Board Chairperson has advised that all of the parties should appear before the Land Board to discuss the disposition and allegations of ancestral claims and illegal fencing; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes that pending resolution of this dispute before the Land Board that all fencing operations and construction should immediately cease; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council also concludes that all fencing operations and construction throughout the reservation should cease until such time as the proper authorization has been obtained through the Land Board and Council.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby orders that all fencing construction in the Big Spring area by the Amos' and Pettis' or other persons immediately cease until proper authorization is obtained from the Tribal Land Board and the Tribal Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it further orders all fencing construction throughout the reservation immediately cease until such time as proper authorization has been obtained from the Land Board and Tribal Council unless authorization has already been obtained from the Land Board or the Tribal Council.

The foregoing resolution was on July 9, 1986, 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 Bylaws 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)

*Alvin Hawkins Sr.*  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council