

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that Mr. John Philben, Chief Forester of the Phoenix Area Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, testified extensively against the White Mountain Apache Tribe in respect to the Tribe's mismanagement claims presented to the U.S. Claims Court in Docket 22-H; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes thereby that Mr. Philben is not a fit and proper person to have overall control and management of the forest management program for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation as his interests may be contrary to the economic welfare of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and its timberlands as evidenced by his testimony against the White Mountain Apache Tribe in the U.S. Claims Court.

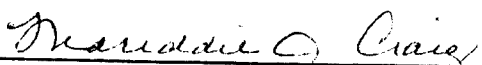
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests that Phoenix Area Director, Jim Stevens, remove or transfer Mr. John Philben from his duties as forester over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby requests that a copy of this resolution be provided to members of the Arizona Congressional Delegation and appropriate members of Congress involve with Indian affairs, with a request that their offices inquire into this matter and support this resolution for the transfer or removal of John Philben from his position with the Phoenix Area Office as Chief Forester over the affairs of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby directs that a copy of this resolution be provided to all Indian tribes involved with timber resources.

The foregoing resolution was on December 4, 1986, duly adopted by a vote of NINE for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (a,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).


Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council

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