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

- WHEREAS, previous overcutting of the Tribe's timber by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in excess of growth has resulted in action by the Tribal Council to reduce the Annual Allowable Cut for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation over the next five years in order to comply with the sustained yield mandate of Congress and to restore the forest; and
- WHEREAS, said reduction of the Annual Allowable cut will result in unemployment and lay-offs at the Fort Apache Timber Company (FATCO) sawmill and precipitate a financial crisis for the Tribe unless an alternate supply of timber is located; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that approximately 16 Million Board Feet (MBF) of timber may be available on the San Carlos Apache Reservation for harvest; and
- WHEREAS, it is recommended to the Tribal Council that Tribal Chairman, Reno Johnson, Sr., be authorized to discuss the purchase of San Carlos timber with the Chairman of the San Carlos Apache Tribe and that he return with a recommendation to the Tribal Council after said discussion in San Carlos.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes Tribal Chairman Reno Johnson, Sr., to meet and confer with San Carlos Apache Tribal Chairman, Buck Kitcheyan, in respect to the purchase of San Carlos timber for the Fort Apache Timber Company sawmill.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it requests the Tribal Chairman to make a recommendation to the Tribal Council in respect to the purchase of San Carlos timber for FATCO after his return.

The foregoing resolution was on April 24, 1987, duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</u> for and <u>TWO</u> 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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council

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