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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council had previously requested funding for its Housing Improvement Program [HIP] in the amount of \$325,000 pursuant to a ten-year plan; and
- WHEREAS, this amount was reduced by the Bureau of Indian Affairs to \$85,000 which has been committed by contract to the White Mountain Apache Tribe for FY 87; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau subsequently increased HIP funding for the White Mountain Apache Tribe by an additional \$40,000 for a total of \$125,000; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that the Area Office, without any explanation whatsoever, has now reduced HIP funding for the White Mountain Apache Tribe from \$125,000 to \$57,340; and
- WHEREAS, the Housing Branch of the BIA Area Office in Phoenix is unable to explain the reduction, nor can the BIA Budget Office or other BIA financial officers; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has committed the \$125,000 previously allocated by the Phoenix Area Office and has relied to its detriment on said allocation; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council protests the reduction without explanation and hereby makes a demand on the Phoenix Area Office for full restoration of previously allocated monies in the amount of \$125,000.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby opposes the arbitrary reduction of the HIP allocation for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation from \$125,000 to \$57,340.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby makes formal demand upon the Phoenix Area Director that the previous allocation of \$125,000 be restored to the White Mountain Apache Tribe.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman to seek the assistance of the Arizona Congressional Delegation in respect to this unilateral and arbitrary decision of the Phoenix Area Director to reduce the allocation for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation from \$125,000 to \$57,340.

The foregoing resolution was on May 20, 1987, duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN 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 (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

Acting

Secretary of the Tribal Council



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