


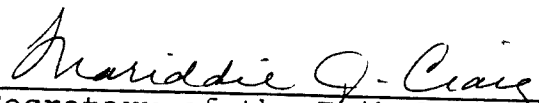
RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 1989 Budget of the United States as proposed by President Reagan would eliminate programs which are vital to the economic development of rural areas and Indian Reservations, such as the Economic Development Administration, the Urban Development Action Grants Program, sewage treatment programs, and Small Business Administration direct loans (SBA); and
- WHEREAS, the elimination of these programs would have the effect of greatly reducing the ability of rural areas and reservations in their attempts to provide infrastructure and commercial programs that provide jobs and income for disadvantaged and underemployed individuals; and
- WHEREAS, the Economic Development Administration, as only one example, has provided assistance in the past that has permitted the Sunrise Ski Resort and the Fort Apache Timber Company (FATCO) to become the mainstays of the reservation economy; and
- WHEREAS, without the financial investment assistance provided by the EDA, Sunrise and FATCO with all of their support systems and infrastructure could never have been developed unilaterally by the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Tribal Government; and
- WHEREAS, the intent and mission of the EDA has been fulfilled in this instance by aiding these tribal enterprises and the communities they are located in, by providing stable well-paying jobs and otherwise contributing to the overall economic development of not only the reservation but also the southwest region; and
- WHEREAS, the loss of the UDAG Program would seriously cripple special reservation based projects that make use of such funding; and
- WHEREAS, local governmental infrastructure, including sewage treatment facilities is still a very pressing need of this reservation, the realization of which would be impossible without federal assistance; and
- WHEREAS, the SBA direct-loan program continues to be an excellent source of leverage in certain financial packages the Tribe can benefit from;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the White Mountain Apache Tribe as a major constituency of the Arizona Delegation to the United States Congress wishes to go on record as urging Congress to protect and expand these programs which are so vital to the future growth and well-being of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and other tribes and communities of the State of Arizona.

The foregoing resolution was on April 28, 1988, 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(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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