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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is aware of the circumstances giving rise to certain criminal charges being filed against Councilmember Judy Dehose in the Tribal Court of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, and the Council has considered the effect of such conduct and its attendant criminal charges on the integrity and credibility of the Tribal Council, and is of the opinion that such conduct constitutes behavior unbecoming of an elected official of the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is of the opinion that the actions of Ms. Dehose exhibit a total disregard of her oath of office and her responsibility to uphold, protect and defend the laws of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, and further demonstrates a lack of respect for the office of Councilmember and moreover constitutes an affront to the trust and responsibility which attaches to that office, and finally, her actions are contrary to principles of behavior found in our Apache culture and tradition, designed to govern the conduct of tribal leadership; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is of the opinion that the continued confidence of the White Mountain Apache people in their elected officials must not be betrayed and must be preserved at all costs, and the principles of behavior inherent in our culture and traditions must be upheld; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council pursuant to Article V, Section (a) and (s) of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Constitution has the responsibility of regulating its own procedures and of governing itself in such a manner as to instill in the public a level of confidence commensurate with the trust placed in the Council by the Apache Nation, and in the opinion of the Tribal Council sanctions must necessarily be imposed upon Councilmember Dehose.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that because of her improper actions, which have resulted in criminal charges being filed against her and which have greatly assaulted the dignity, respect and credibility of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council; effective this day, Councilmember Dehose is suspended from her seat on the Tribal Council, and all of the privileges that attach to that

office are likewise suspended, including without limitation the right to sit in and in any way participate in Tribal Council meetings and other Council functions. Ms. Dehose shall not have the right to vote on any matter being considered by the Tribal Council.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this suspension shall be effective until such time as the Tribal Court has finally disposed of the criminal charges which are currently pending against Ms. Dehose, and the Tribal Council has had the opportunity to consider this matter further, and to take any other actions which it may deem necessary. Ms. Dehose shall continue to receive the council pay which is customarily paid for attendance at council meetings for all scheduled council meetings during the time of her suspension even though she will not be in actual attendance.

The foregoing resolution was on November 22, 1988, duly adopted by a vote of FOUR for and THREE against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (a) & (s) 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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