

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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has received information that the Bureau of Indian Affairs has reduced Element Ten money for Education Administration, otherwise known as Technical Support Services by sixteen (16%) percent; and
- WHEREAS, this reduction will seriously affect the operation of thirty-three (33) Technical Support Services offices across the country; and
- WHEREAS, Technical Support Services are necessary because many tribes including the White Mountain Apache Tribe do not have technical experts available to assist in program compliance, oversight, monitoring, technical assistance, and training; and
- WHEREAS, further reductions will eliminate Technical Support Personnel presently working on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and will eliminate secretarial and business technician staff; and
- WHEREAS, specifically, the Fort Apache Agency, Superintendent for Education and his assistants may be eliminated to the detriment of education on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs scheduled a Consultation Hearing on the reduction of Technical Support Services on May 24 and May 25, 1990, but did not mail out information to Tribes pertaining to the Consultation Hearing until May 24, 1990; and
- WHEREAS, the role of Technical Assistance at the thirty-three (33) offices throughout the country was discussed at the Consultation meeting with the Bureau of Indian Affairs without the benefit of full participation by affected Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe opposes the reduction by sixteen (16%) percent of Technical Assistance funding and requests that all monies be restored, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs should schedule a future consultation hearing with timely notice to Tribes so that they may have input regarding the issue of continuing Technical Support Services for Indian Education Programs and schools.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby unconditionally opposes any reduction of Technical Support Services to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and demands that any and all reductions be immediately restored as an obligation and trust responsibility of the United States Government to Indian Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby requests that the Bureau of Indian Affairs schedule a local Consultation Hearing whereby the Tribal Council may have input into critical education issues and budget matters facing the Tribe, including but not limited to, the role of Technical Support Services on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Arizona Congressional Delegation, the Senate and House Committees on Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, protesting the reduction of Technical Support Services for Indian Tribes with a request that the present sixteen (16%) percent reduction in said services be restored.

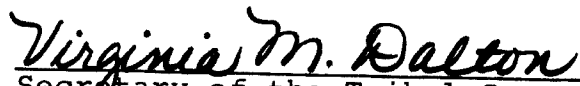
The foregoing resolution was on June 6, 1990, duly adopted by a vote of eight for and zero against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i) (u) of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 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).

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Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Secretary of the Tribal Council