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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has been informed by Bobby Thompson, Agency Superintendent for Education, that the 1991/1992 budget for the John F. Kennedy Day school will have a shortfall of approximately \$146,000; and
- WHEREAS, this shortfall is a result of the budget projection process and the annual salary increases that were not in effect at the time the 1991/1992 budget was projected and written; and
- WHEREAS, if the budget shortfall is not covered, there will necessarily be staff reductions, and such staff reductions may include teachers aids, librarians and library staff and counselors, effecting tribal members, students and the entire economy of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the education of Indian children is of the utmost importance to the individual students and to the entire Tribe, and any reductions to staff at the JFK Day school will necessarily hurt the educational opportunities of Indian children and future opportunities of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believe it is in the best interest of the Tribe and all Indians that the budget shortfall be covered by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Education Programs.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the budget shortfall for JFK Day school is contrary to the best interests of the Indian children enrolled therein and the Tribe.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that a position paper be submitted to the Office of Indian Education Programs stating the Tribe's opposition to the budget shortfall and requesting that the shortfalls be covered from within the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The foregoing resolution was on October 07, 1991, 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) 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

Virginia M. Wilton Secretary of the Tribal Council

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