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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that the Phoenix Area Office allegedly is attempting to transfer approximately \$250,000. from remaining monies previously appropriated and set aside for the Miner Flat Dam for other presently unidentified projects; and
- whereas, the Tribal Council is aware that the Phoenix Area Office has redirected Miner Flat Dam monies at least twice before and the Tribe has requested an accounting of monies so transferred and how the Bureau intends to reimburse the Miner Flat fund after borrowing money from said fund; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has previously protested any transfer of monies from the Miner Flat Dam project without the consent of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe's previous requests for an audit accounting of Miner Flat Dam funds and transfer thereof by the Phoenix Area Office have gone unanswered by the Phoenix Area Office; and
- whereas, the Tribe is now moving ahead with its economic feasibility report and will be presenting results to the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the near future so that the dam project can move forward.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby protests and opposes the transfer of any monies from the Miner Flat Dam account for other Bureau purposes.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby demands a full accounting from the Phoenix Area Office of all monies left remaining in the Miner Flat Dam fund, as well as an accounting of all monies previously transferred by the Phoenix Area Office for any purpose, and further demands that the Bureau disclose in writing what plans it has to restore money to the Miner Flat Dam account.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it directs that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Central Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs with a request that the Chief of Indian Irrigation Projects conduct an investigation of the disbursement of Miner Flat Dam monies by the Phoenix Area Office.

The foregoing resolution was on February 06, 1992 duly adopted by a vote of TEN 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 By-Laws 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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