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

- WHEREAS, Indian Health Service has made a study of traffic related accidents on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, both before and after the installation of street lights in Whiteriver; and
- WHEREAS, the study shows dramatic reduction in the rate of traffic related accidents, injuries and death after the installation of street lights; and
- WHEREAS, Arizona Department of Transportation is currently planning for the reconstruction of Highway 73 though the town of Whiteriver; and
- WHEREAS, the reconstruction will result in the street lights already installed being inadequate even in the section where they are installed, due to the change in the cross section of the street; and
- WHEREAS, state funding for the highway reconstruction through Whiteriver is hard to come by and there are no funds to replace or extend the street lighting in this project; and
- WHEREAS, Arizona Department of Transportation will furnish the design of the street lights as part of the project planning provided that construction funds for the streetlights, estimated to cost \$450,000 can be supplied from some other source; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that BIA road funds may be used for street lighting projects;
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to use some of the road funds available to the White Mountain Apache Tribe for the purpose of including street lighting as a part of the project to reconstruct Highway 73 through Whiteriver and to enter into the necessary intergovernmental agreement with the Arizona Highway Department and the White Mountain Apache Tribe to accomplish this, and further that whatever is necessary be expedited so as to be able to include the street lights in work anticipated to be bid in May, 1993.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that this request to the BIA of \$450,000 for street lights not jeopardize or result in subtraction of said amount or a reduction of funding for tribal road projects already authorized and requested by the Tribal Council.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>July 01, 1992</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>ten</u> for and <u>zero</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (a) (b) (i) (j) 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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