

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe recognizes child abuse, child neglect and child sexual abuse as a community problem that has a pervasive and lasting negative impact on the physical and mental well being of its children; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has established laws governing the reporting, investigation and prosecution of child abuse, child neglect and child sexual abuse as set forth in the White Mountain Apache Juvenile Code; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of child victims of abuse, neglect and sexual abuse when the entities responsible for investigation, prosecution and treatment coordinate their efforts, because such coordination lessens further trauma to the child victims; and

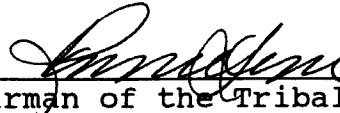
WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Social Services, the Indian Health Services, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Juvenile Court, the Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement Division, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Police Department, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Guidance Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation have specific roles and responsibilities in the reporting, investigation, prosecution and treatment of child abuse, neglect, and child sexual abuse; and

WHEREAS, the above named agencies have developed a Protocols Manual to guide in the coordination of services to child victims.

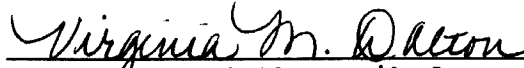
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby formally approves the Protocols Manual For Child Protective Services, and endorses the efforts of the above referenced service providers to protect children and preserve the unity and strength of families within the Tribe.

Resolution No. 01-93-006

The foregoing resolution was on January 06, 1993, 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 (a) 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