

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

WHEREAS, chronic diseases such as diabetes, hypertension and obesity are afflicting White Mountain Apache tribal members in increasingly alarming rates which are expected to continue for some time in the future and the occurrence of these major health concerns of the tribe is for the most part preventable; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe was awarded a three year Office of Minority Health Demonstration Grant at \$200,000/year commencing October 1, 1991 with the purpose of providing funds to develop a diabetes program serving White Mountain Apache tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Diabetes Project (Ndee Bii Fitness Project) has succeeded at completing most of it's objectives including increasing the awareness of tribal members about the seriousness of diabetes among White Mountain Apache tribal members, establishment of a fitness center in Alchesay Hall and development of associations between other tribal entities and IHS departments to collectively address problems of diabetes; and

WHEREAS, although the variety of fitness opportunities has recently increased to include aerobic classes, a weight lifting and cardiovascular fitness center in Alchesay Hall, as well as a community pool to begin operation in the near future, there is an ever pressing need to educate White Mountain Apache tribal members about the use and benefits of these and other fitness opportunities available to White Mountain Apache tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the potential is great for the Ndee Bii Fitness Project to broaden its scope of work to include promotion of physical fitness where it will benefit any major White Mountain Apache tribal health concern such as diabetes, hypertension, obesity and alcoholism; and

WHEREAS, the Project's current funding from the Office of Minority Health is expected to end between September and December of 1994.

BEIT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the integration of the Ndee Bii Fitness Project into the Tribal Athletic Department where a program budget will be submitted to the White Mountain Apache Tribal Budget Committee to support continuation of current Ndee Bii Fitness Project objectives and the broadening of it's scope of work to include promotion of physical fitness as it benefits any major tribal health concern.

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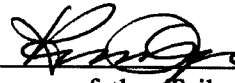
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that tribal funding for the Ndee Bii Fitness Project will commence December, 1994 after a budget for same is submitted to the White Mountain Apache Tribal Budget Committee and is approved by the Tribal Council.

The foregoing resolution was on March 02, 1994, 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 IV, Section 1 (a), (i), (k), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

RESOLVED

MARCH 19 1994

APPROVED



Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council