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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised by Carla Alchesay Nachu, Service Unit Director of the Whiteriver Indian Hospital, that there is a proposed administrative reduction in FTEs at the Whiteriver Hospital and at the Cibecue Clinic; and
- WHEREAS, approximately 56 FTEs could be removed from the Whiteriver Indian Hospital; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is alarmed at the reduction of FTEs and the impact it will have on the standard of health and medical care proved by IHS on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation for the White Mountain Apache people; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council urges that there should be an increase in FTEs assigned to Whiteriver Indian Hospital and Cibecue Clinic due to the population increase of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and in view of President Clinton's pledge to Indian people in Washington, D.C. that there would be no cutback on FTE IHS funding; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is also interested in possibly contract the Cibecue Clinic pursuant to a self-determination grant or contract..
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby opposes any reduction in the FTE IHS funding levels for the Whiteriver Indian Hospital or Cibecue Clinic.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it requests President Clinton maintain the commitment he made to Tribal leaders in Washington, D.C. several months ago that there would be no cutbacks in the level of IHS FTE funding for Tribal health and medical services.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby request that a study be made regarding the feasibility of contracting the Cibecue Clinic from IHS pursuant to the 638 Self-Determination Program.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby directs the Tribal Chairman to distribute a copy of this Resolution to the Arizona Congressional delegation, to the Indian Health Services and to the White House.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>July 14, 1994</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>nine</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 IV, Section 1 (a), (i), (s), (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).

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