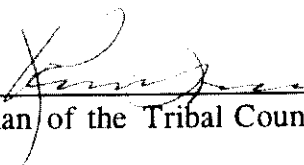


**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is the governing body of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation located in Whiteriver, Arizona; and
- WHEREAS,** American Indian tribes have been facing increasing pressure concerning the state of their environment and the potential for greater liability in environmental matters; and
- WHEREAS,** the control over Indian lands, resources, and environmental quality is a critical concern of the Tribal Community in meeting its continuing responsibilities to determine the future of the homelands on which the people will live; and
- WHEREAS,** Tribal environmental issues and concerns are significantly impacted by the laws, regulations, and administrative practices of United States executive agencies and legislative and judicial bodies; and
- WHEREAS,** it is difficult for Tribes acting alone to access information needed or desired to inform decisions makers on environmental issues; and
- WHEREAS,** it is mutually beneficial for tribes to consolidate their strength when faced with pressing problems or perceived threats to tribal resources, powers, or common good; and
- WHEREAS,** there is established a National Tribal Environmental Council for the purpose of assisting American Indian tribes with meeting the important and pressing demands of environmental issues, as is more fully set out in the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, which have been distributed to the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** it is in the best interests of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to participate in the National Tribal Environmental Council.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Tribe's membership and participation in the National Tribal Environmental Council and authorizes Tribal Chairman to designate a representative to participate in said Council.

The foregoing resolution was on August 04, 1994, duly adopted by a vote of nine 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), (f), (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).



Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council