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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is the governing body of the White Mountain Apache Tribe located on the Ft. Apache Indian Reservation in Arizona; and
- WHEREAS, Public Law 101-379 enacted August 18, 1990, 25 U.S.C §280 known as the "Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act" established that BIA Criminal investigations would be a separate branch and that line authority would be taken from the agency superintendent; and
- WHEREAS, the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act provides that at the end of one (1) year following the date of establishment of the separate branch of criminal investigations, any Tribe may by resolution of the governing body of the Tribe, request the Secretary to re-establish line authority through the agency superintendent or BIA area office director; and
- WHEREAS, the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act further provides that in the absence of good cause to the contrary, the Secretary, upon receipt of such resolution, shall re-establish the line authority as requested by the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Law & Order Committee of the White Mountain Apache Tribe after conducting an evaluation of the Whiteriver Police Department and law enforcement generally on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation concludes that there is a need for greater local control of law enforcement activities so that the agency superintendent can work closely with the Tribal Council to insure the expeditious investigation of law enforcement priorities set by the Council and so as to be more responsive to the Tribal community; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes that the Secretary of the Interior should be requested to re-establish line authority under the agency superintendent.
- BEIT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests that the Secretary of the Interior to re-establish line authority under the Ft. Apache Agency Superintendent pursuant to the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act, §3 (D)(4)(ii).

BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the Secretary expedite this request for the re-establishment of line authority under the Ft. Apache Agency Superintendent for the health, benefit and safety of the White Mountain Apache Tribal people.

The foregoing resolution was on October 06, 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), (b), (c), (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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council