

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council by previous resolution, determined that because of population growth and shifts, two additional tribal Council Members should be added to District IV so that the total Council membership would become thirteen (13) members inclusive with five from District IV; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the McNary-Hondah Community have expressed great concern that even though the number of District IV representatives may be increased, they will not have a representative from their particular community on the Tribal Council as most of the population growth is concentrated between Whiteriver and Canyon Day; and

WHEREAS, merely adding two District IV Tribal Council members may result in further concentrations of voting power in Whiteriver, thereby leaving the McNary-Hondah and North Fork communities without adequate and equal representation; and


WHEREAS, the Tribal Council agrees with Mc-Nary Hondah Community representatives that in order to ensure fairness and equal representation of the various communities, that the Tribal Election Commission should research with the Tribal Legal Department the feasibility of redistricting in order to ensure that the aforementioned communities are fairly represented on the Tribal Council.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Tribal Election Commission to work with the Tribal Legal Department to research the feasibility of redistricting District IV on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation to ensure that representative government is fair and equitable, and that the McNary-Hondah-North Fork Communities within District IV which have complained of not being represented on the Tribal Council are represented on the Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it strongly agrees with the views of the McNary-Hondah-North Fork Community representatives that redistricting must be completed before any Tribal election is conducted which adds two new Council seats to District IV and that said redistricting must be approved by the Tribal Council prior to any such Tribal election which includes two additional Council member seats for District IV.

The foregoing resolution was on February 2, 1995, duly adopted by a vote of ten for and zero against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article III, Section 3, 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 Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council

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