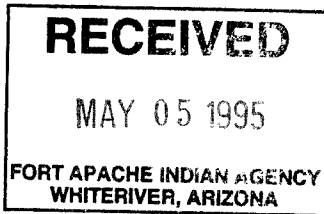



**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Tribe") is a sovereign entity which shares a government-to-government relationship with the State of Arizona; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe recognizes the need for and strongly supports the existence of the Arizona Commission of Indian Affairs as a body representing the tribes of Arizona for purposes of communicating the Arizona tribe's needs and views on various matters to the State of Arizona and its elected officials; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe believes that only through the appropriate utilization of this body can the elected officials of Arizona have an adequate understanding of many concerns of the 21 tribes residing wholly or partially within the State of Arizona; and
- WHEREAS,** only through the proper utilization of the Commission can the views of the 21 tribes be truly understood and addressed from the various perspectives necessary because various tribes are situated differently and thus have divergent needs and interests; and
- WHEREAS,** for that reason, any "Indian desk" or similar position placed within the Governor's office and imbued with an official designation as "representing tribal interests" or "positions" would entirely fail to provide the Governor's office with a true understanding of the various issues and other matters of concern to the tribes residing wholly or partially within the State of Arizona; and
- WHEREAS,** for that reason, such an "Indian desk" or similar position placed within the Governor's office would clearly serve to harm State/Tribal relations, rather than to help them.
- BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby voices its opposition to the creation of such an office within the Governor's office.

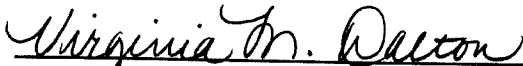
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe hereby shows its strong support for the continuation of funding of the Arizona Commission on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing resolution was on March 24, 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 IV, Section 1 (a), (f), (g), (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