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

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 09-93-239, the Tribal Council directed the Tribal Election Commission to draft a plan adding two representatives to the Council from District IV, to account for population growth in that District; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 02-95-039, adopted after Resolution No. 09-93-239, the Tribal Council directed that before the addition of two new representatives to the Council takes place, there must occur a redistricting within District IV to prevent the additional number of at-large candidate from diminishing political representation among the smaller communities in the District, such as McNary, Hondah and North Fork; and
- WHEREAS, the Election Commission has made a report to the Council recommending a change to the current voting districts which would more equitably apportion Council representative seats among the population and control the number of at-large representatives in any district; and
- WHEREAS, the Election Commission Report to the Tribal Council outlines four redistricting options and recommends Option One, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, as the option which best accomplishes the goal of more equitably apportioning Council representative seats among the population in District IV to insure greater representation from smaller communities within the District; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, after considerable discussion, concurs with the Election Commission's recommendations; and
- WHEREAS, the current voting districts are established in the Constitution; and
- WHEREAS, any change or modification to the voting districts, including the creation of a subdistrict within an existing district would require a change to the Constitution; and
- WHEREAS, any change to the Constitution will require approval by members of the Tribe pursuant to a Secretarial Election; and

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes the need to enact amendments to the Constitution in order to carry out the proposed plan.
- BEIT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves Redistricting Plan Option One, attached and incorporated by reference herein, presented by the Tribal Election Commission to revise the voting districts set out in the Constitution.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby directs the Election Commission, with the assistance of the Executive Departments of the Tribe to draft appropriate revisions to the Constitution to implement the redistricting plan approved this day and to take other necessary steps prior to submitting a formal request to the Department of the Interior for a Secretarial Election so that the people can decide if the redistricting plan attached hereto should be adopted by the Tribe.
- BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the acts and deeds of the members of the Tribal Council necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution be, and the same are hereby ratified, confirmed and adopted as the acts and deeds of the Tribe.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>May 03, 1995</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>seven</u> for and <u>three</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (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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REDISTRICTING OPTIONS

OPTION #1 1-3-1 Plan

Canyon Day, Ft. Apache and China Town 1975 people One Councilmember

NE, SW, SE Whiteriver **Another World to Rainbow City and IHS Baptist Church to FATCO Road**

4420 people Three Councilmembe 1473 per council

Diamond Creek, Northfork Hondah, McNary

1493 people One Councilmember

