

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

WHEREAS, Tribal Member Mike Cooley has come before the Tribal Council and provided information about the creation of the Whiteriver Construction Company, owned and operated by Mr. Cooley, as a building construction company located in Whiteriver on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooley advises the Council that his company began seeking construction projects as a prime contractor through competitive bidding on January 1, 1995, and that his primary market is pursuant to the Federal Indian and Disadvantaged Business Contracts Program throughout Arizona and the Southwest; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooley further advises that currently he has twenty-one tribal members working on several jobsites throughout Northern Arizona and that his company has assisted tribal members to start their own sub-contracting businesses; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooley's construction company provides professional services on the San Carlos, Zuni, and Navajo Reservations and he is interested in providing similar services for the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooley seeks Tribal Council's support for his construction company and states that after the business is well established he will be returning to the Tribal Council with a request to approve Whiteriver Construction, Inc. as a *bona fide* legal tribal corporation chartered and approved by the Tribal Council; and

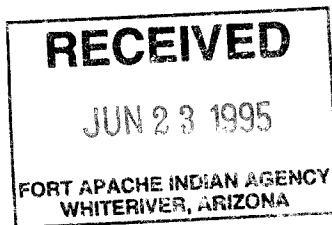
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council wishes to evidence its support of Mr. Cooley's endeavors and entrepreneurship in establishing a tribal member owned construction company on the Reservation.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby recognizes and supports tribal member Mike Cooley's establishment of the Whiteriver Construction Company which has provided employment for tribal members and advice and training for establishment of tribal member sub-contracting businesses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it expresses its appreciation to Mr. Cooley for coming before the Council this date and advising the Council of his construction activities on the Reservation and wishes him well in his future endeavors in that regard.

Resolution No. 06-95-197

The foregoing resolution was on June 08, 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), (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).



Leopoldo Cortez - acting
Chairman of the Tribal Council

Virginia M. Dalton
Secretary of the Tribal Council