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

- WHEREAS, the population of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is expanding and is expected to continue to expand into the future, Placing strain on the infrastructure and government services which are needed to provide for a high quality of life for the community residents; and
- WHEREAS, the uncontrolled and unplanned growth of reservation communities also places strain on reservation natural resources and the tribal and agency staff whose job it is to manage these resources; and
- WHEREAS, of all reservation communities, Hondah-McNary is experiencing the most rapid change and expansion, without the benefit of a comprehensive, community-based land use and development plan; and
- WHEREAS, an opportunity exists through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Sustainable Development Challenge Grant Program, to receive funds for conducting a community mapping and planning project for the Hondah-McNary Community, a proposal for which has been prepared by the Tribal Environmental Planning Office with broad support from local community leaders, industry, representatives, and natural resource managers.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, that it hereby approves application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the proposal titled 'Hondah-McNary Community Planning Project.' and that it will support this planning project upon award of grant funds.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>August 08, 1996</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>six</u> for and <u>zero</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (e), (h), (i), (j), (k), (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