

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe adopted Resolution 70-193 on December 9, 1970 which designated 7,400 acres in the Mount Baldy Area as a primitive area and not subject to any development or timber cutting or vehicular traffic, with the exception of fire control traffic and further that the exact boundary lines be located and properly posted by the agency forester and the Tribal wardens; and

WHEREAS, said Resolution set aside the 7,400 acres as a primitive area for a five (5) year period; and

WHEREAS, Mount Baldy know in Apache as Dził Ligai Sí'an has been considered a holy and sacred place from time immemorial by the White Mountain Apache people and designation of the Mount Baldy Peak and surrounding primitive area as identified in Resolution 70-193 will serve to protect this sacred site; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes that it is in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to extend the time period to designate this area as a primitive area for an indefinite period of time until revoked by Tribal Council Resolution as development and disturbance in the primitive area could have a detrimental effect on the peak as a sacred religious site and on wildlife, water resources, and stream flow and could cause severe erosion problems; and, further because the United States Congress has given permanent protection to the east side of Mount Baldy by including it in the National Wilderness Act.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby designates the 7,400 acres including Mount Baldy identified in Resolution 70-193 as a permanent primitive area set aside, said designation to continue indefinitely until revoked by action of the Tribal Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that this primitive area shall not be subject to any development or timber cutting or vehicular traffic, with the exception of fire control traffic and that enforcement of this primitive area designation be carried out by Tribal Game Wardens, Tribal Forestry, or any other officer so authorized by the Tribal Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the Tribal Land Office is requested to ensure that the primitive area boundary lines are still intact and properly posted as a primitive area, said posting to be conducted with the Tribal Forester and or Tribal Wardens or both acting in cooperation with the Tribal land office.

Resolution No. 01-98-06

The foregoing resolution was on January 7, 1998 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), (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).



Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council