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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has adopted and hereby reaffirms by this resolution that all tribal programs' staff hire individuals with disabilities: and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe's "Work Adjustment Program" has limited funds with which to place individuals into employment situations on the reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the "Work Adjustment Program" staff has worked to establish a sound foundation and cooperative working arrangement with the State of Arizona Rehabilitation Services Administration; and
- WHEREAS, there is a federal governmental program which allows federally recognized Indian Tribes to deliver vocational rehabilitation (VR) services on their respective reservations; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Vocational Skills Center staff has the knowledge and expertise and if funded by the U.S. Department of Education for a VR service project, may acquire the resources necessary to administer vocational rehabilitation services on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, under its Vocational Skill Center, without any further assistance from the State of Arizona Rehabilitation Services Administration; and
- WHEREAS, this American Indian VR Service Project requires approval by resolution.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that hereby approves the filing of a grant application for a tribal VR project with the U.S. Department of Education and if funded by such grant, the establishment of the White Mountain Apache Vocational Rehabilitation Program.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>May 14, 1998</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>eleven</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), (b), (g), (h), (i), (j), (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

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Secretary of the Tribal Council