

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

WHEREAS, representatives from the White Mountain Montesorri Schools have come before the Tribal Council to describe their educational program; and

WHEREAS, the group is currently operating a Montesorri school in Pinetop, which has had three children from the Tribe enrolled in their program; and

WHEREAS, Tribal member Rhoda Ethelbah Ashley has now been certified as a Montesorri teacher and is available to begin a program in Whiteriver; and

WHEREAS, classroom space is available in the Whiteriver Head Start facility for a Montesorri class; and

WHEREAS, Montesorri program could benefit the Whiteriver community by expanding preschool opportunities for children who are three to six years old in age; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has confirmed that any such program would include an emphasis on Apache language and culture development; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Montesorri Schools has requested assistance from the Tribe in funding or in seeking grant funds to run the program.


BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby grants permission to the White Mountain Montesorri Schools to begin a Montesorri school program in Whiteriver.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it makes available for the upcoming year one classroom in the Whiteriver Head Start facility for the Montesorri program, for a program to begin either this summer or fall.

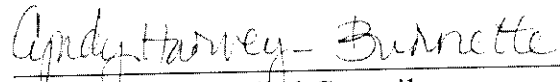
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it directs the Tribal Planning office to assist the White Mountain Montesorri Schools when requested in seeking grant funding for the program in Whiteriver or elsewhere within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and although the Tribe cannot at this time commit Tribal funds to the program, it shall review the request again at a later date.

Resolution No. 03-99-47

The foregoing resolution was on March 3, 1999 duly adopted by a vote of eight 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), (b), (e), (g), (h), (j), (r), (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