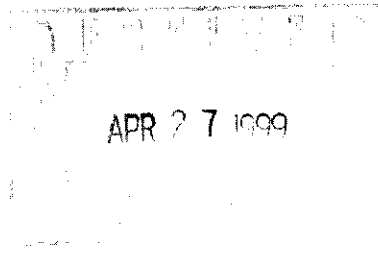


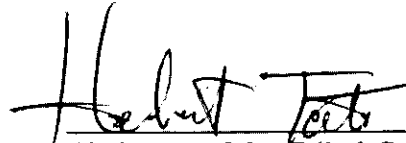
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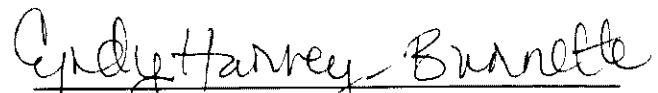
**RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS**, by virtue of the Tribe's inherent sovereignty over the lands and natural resources of the Fort Apache Indian reservation, in addition to the powers listed in the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Council has the authority and responsibility to protect and promote the health of the Tribe's wildlife and recreation resources; and
- WHEREAS**, the Tribe derives spiritual, cultural and economic value from the wildlife and recreation resources of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Tribe Game and Fish Department is responding to an ever increasing number of violations of the White Mountain Apache Tribe Game and Fish Code; and
- WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Game and Fish Department staff of nine (9) enforcement officers (Rangers) will soon exceed their capacity to respond to all complaints, adequately patrol the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and ensure that an adequate number of personnel for each shift will not depend on whether Rangers are sick, on leave or otherwise unavailable; and
- WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Justice will fund, through the Community Oriented Policing Services Hiring Program (COPSUHP), up to Seventy Five Percent (75%) of the total salary and benefits, not to exceed \$75,000, for new Game and Fish Rangers hired for three years after the application date.
- WHEREAS**, this funding will help fulfill the goal of the Federal Government to deploy additional enforcement officers devoted to community policing; and
- WHEREAS**, the Office of the Community Oriented Policing Services must receive this application and request by April 5, 1999.
- BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, that it authorizes the Game and Fish Department to submit grant applications to the United States Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services for funding to increase the number and community policing skills of Game and Fish Department Rangers on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on March 4, 1999 duly adopted by a vote of seven 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), (f), (h), (j), (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).



  
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Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
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Secretary of the Tribal Council