

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

- WHEREAS,** *The Master Plan for the Fort Apache Historic Park*, along with subsequent planning documents and ongoing initiatives, has established an ambitious and far-reaching vision for the reincorporation of the Fort Apache Historic District into the White Mountain Apache community through programs promoting community representation, economic development, and cultural perpetuation; and
- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe chartered the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation to provide conceptual, technical, and developmental guidance and leadership in making this vision into reality by putting Fort Apache back into service for the Apache people; and
- WHEREAS,** the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation Board of Directors meeting held on September 30, 1999, produced a consensus recommendation to initiate a major community integration and fund raising effort in support of the Fort Apache vision by hosting, in early June of the coming year, *The Great Fort Apache Heritage Reunion 2000*; and
- WHEREAS,** still evolving Reunion plans call for a respectful healing ceremony, a processional parade, a series of living history displays and demonstrations, and the assembly of the diverse groups of students, veterans, Apache Scout families, and cavalry groups associated with Fort Apache and the Theodore Roosevelt School; and
- WHEREAS,** this event embraces the overall goal of fostering the enthusiasm, support, and participation of local, regional, national, and international communities and partners in pursuit of the Tribe's vision for Fort Apache.
- BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes and endorses Fort Apache Heritage Foundation plans for *The Great Fort Apache Heritage Reunion*, to be held in the late spring or early summer of 2000.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the establishment of a collaborative coordinating committee to work in concert with the Foundation Directors and to consist of the following Tribal officials or their designees: Historic Preservation Officer, Heritage Program Director, Enterprise Division Director, Sunrise Resort Manager, Hon-Dah Resort and Casino Manager, Healthy Nations Director, Public Works

Director; Fair and Rodeo Manager; Police Chief; Public Relations Representatives, Superintendent of the Whiteriver Unified School District, the Superintendent of the Fort Apache BIA Agency and other Tribal officials and Foundation designees, as appropriate.

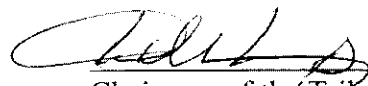
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests Mr. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar serve as the Honorary Chairman of the coordinating committee and Grand Marshall of the event.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the event be planned and implemented to reunite, in a constructive spirit of reconciliation, healing, and mutual respect and affection, all parties and groups with enduring ties to and appreciation for Fort Apache.


**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Reunion be planned and implemented as the prospective first in a long series of annual events designed to realize, expand and enhance the vision for Fort Apache.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Reunion be planned and implemented as a drug-, alcohol-, and violence-free event focused on the enduring qualities of peace, harmony, and good will.

The foregoing resolution was on October 14, 1999 duly adopted by a vote of nine 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), (g), (i), (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).



Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Secretary of the Tribal Council