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

- WHEREAS, permission for tribal members to set up camps and ceremonial areas must be granted by a permit issued through the Tribal Council Secretary; and
- WHEREAS, tribal members using tribal lands, especially in environmentally sensitive areas such as near rivers and streams, have a responsibility to care for the land and to clean up areas upon conclusion of camps and ceremonies; and
- WHEREAS, there have been problems in the past with a lack of planning and follow through on the part of tribal members who have been issued permits to use tribal lands for camps and ceremonies; and
- WHEREAS, such problems have included not contracting for trash collection and disposal, leaving brush and wood structures behind and leaving brush along river and stream banks and in other improper places.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it reaffirms the permitting system for tribal members wishing to use tribal lands for camps and ceremonial areas and that this program will continue to be coordinated through the Tribal Council Secretary.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that permits issued for this purpose will include requirements that camp and ceremony sponsors contract for trash collection and disposal at no cost to the Tribe, that sponsors will leave no structures on site unless the next user of the site has expressed an interest in having structure remain, all brush will be hauled by the project sponsor to the tribal landfill in coordination with the Tribal Solid Waste Program for burning at a later date, and that no brush will be left on site upon conclusion of the camp or ceremony.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribal Public Works Department Solid Waste program, and the Tribal Environmental Planning Office will assist with implementation and compliance of this permitting program.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>February 18, 2000</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</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), (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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