

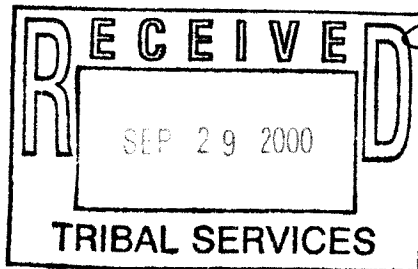
**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is charged with the responsibility of representing the Tribe in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council, through Resolutions and correspondence with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Western Regional Office and the BIA headquarters in Washington D.C., has continually requested of the BIA notification, consultation and inclusion of its recommendations for replacing any Superintendent of Education for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and for improvements and revision to the BIA educational programs and curriculum offered on the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council has repeatedly requested, most recently in a letter dated December 9, 1999 to Mr. Joe Christy then acting Director for the Office of Indian Education Programs (OIEP), that the BIA, in consultation and upon the recommendation of the Tribal Council, employ a full-time, permanent Superintendent of Education solely for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, who shall receive permanent assignment and office space in the BIA Fort Apache Agency offices located in Whiteriver, Arizona; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council requests that the BIA OIEP employ a qualified member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe for this assignment; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council has not received notification or consultation as requested from the BIA OIP/OIEP since the departure of Mr. Ray Interpreter, despite these repeated requests; and
- WHEREAS,** the BIA and any Superintendent of Education for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation should work closely with the Tribal Council and the local school boards and staff to adequately meet the needs of the students within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and to address and finalize any reorganization initiatives that will affect the OIEP at the local level which would avoid unsatisfactory delivery of education services to the Tribe as has resulted in the past when the BIA and OIP/OIEP have failed to consult with the Tribal Council.
- BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby once again requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau's Office of Indian Education Programs to employ a full-time, permanent Superintendent of Education

solely for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, who shall receive permanent assignment and office space in the BIA Fort Apache Agency offices located in Whiteriver, Arizona, with preference for employment given to a qualified member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, that it hereby formally requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau's Office of Indian Education programs to formally respond to the requests of this governing body of the White Mountain Apache Tribe no later than November 1, 2000.

The foregoing resolution was on September 20, 2000 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), (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