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

**WHEREAS,** approximately 17 tribal member owned horses were improperly removed from the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council has received testimony from the Tribal Livestock Brand Inspector that the horses in Kansas have brands documented as those of members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and that those tribal members have indicated they did not sell or give the horses to anyone; and

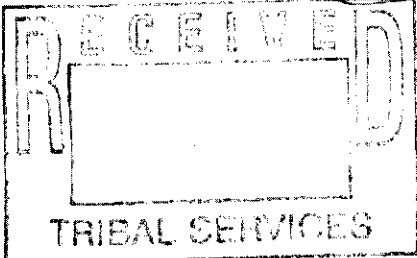
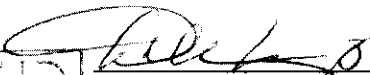
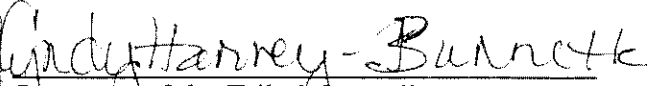
**WHEREAS,** the Wichita County Sheriff's office in Kansas and the Kansas Livestock Inspector have both expressed the need for the Tribe to remove the horses from Kansas and to pay for their care since their seizure from Larry Crouch to avoid losing the horses; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Controller has informed the Council that funds are available in the Tribal Contribution Fund to help defray the cost of removing the horses.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the withdrawal of \$2,500 from the Tribal Contribution Fund for the Director of the Apache Agriculture Office and the Tribal Livestock Brand Inspector to travel to Kansas and retrieve those horses detained by the State of Kansas which belong to members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribe shall seek reimbursement of \$2,500 to the Tribal Council Contribution Fund from Mr. Larry Crouch and any other individual involved in the illegal removal of these horses from the Fort Apache Indian Reservation through appropriate means, including legal action if necessary.

The foregoing resolution was on October 11, 2000 duly adopted by a vote of SIX 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), (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