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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has during the past several years contracted with White Mountain Apache Legal Aid to provide public defender representation within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation to criminal defendants in Tribal Court; and
- WHEREAS, there continues to be great demand upon the program and upon the public defender attorney Paula King; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Attorney recommends the Tribe renew the contract to continue public defender services into the new calendar year, as the current agreement expires December 31, 2000; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Attorney recommends that the contract renewal include a contract increase from \$46,874.00 to \$79,000.00 to provide \$4,000 in conflict defense funding and to allow Ms. King to hire a full time advocate/assistant to help handle the increasing case load, and provide additional service to the criminal defendants served under the contract.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves renewal of the contract with White Mountain Apache Legal Aid for renewal of the Public Defender Contract for calendar year 2001, such contract to include an increase in the funding amount to provide for full-time advocate/assistant to increase services provided under the contract.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby delegates authority to the Tribal Chairman and the Tribal Attorney to complete and execute a contract with White Mountain Apache Legal Aid to carry out the intent of this resolution such contract to be substantially similar in content and form to the agreement in place for calendar year 2000 with the additional terms and modifications set forth above.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>January 3, 2001</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 (c), (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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

ACTING Secretary of the Tribal Council