

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

WHEREAS, there is a significant need to enhance court services to deal with the court's caseload;
and

WHEREAS, the limited resources of the court has led to significant case backlogs; and

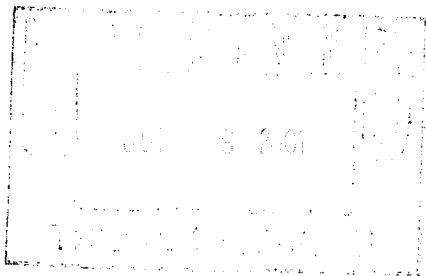
WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe wishes to enhance services while at the same time preserving Apache traditions and culture in the law; and

WHEREAS, there is a vacant portion of the social services building that can be renovated to provide for an additional courtroom and staff offices; and

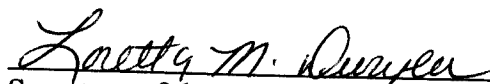
WHEREAS, the Court Enhancement grant can allow for the needed resources to permanently improve the court system and preserve Apache tradition and culture in the law.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby supports the efforts by the Tribal Court, Prosecution Unit, Planning Department, Council members, and others to apply for a Court Enhancement grant to renovate the social services building to allow for an additional courtroom, to create the *Baha-now-dehl-beh* (a conglomeration of community member mediators to help resolve disputes without the need for direct involvement of the court,) and to make the Journal of Elders an active participant in the court process.

The foregoing resolution was on May 17, 2001 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), (b), (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


ACTING Secretary of the Tribal Council