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

- WHEREAS, for the past six years, the White Mountain Apache Client Business Office Program has been providing vital health services and transportation for clients with medical needs on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Client Business Office provides transportation to clients who have appointments scheduled with various medical centers locally and off-reservation, and also provides home base clients with required hygiene care, dressing, feeding, house cleaning, meal preparation and errands; and
- WHEREAS, due to an increase in client referrals, home health care services are significant to White Mountain Apache tribal members with chronic illnesses and disabilities who wish to remain at home; and
- WHEREAS, the Home Health Care Program staff are expected to utilize their private vehicles to travel to the nine (9) communities on the reservation to render essential services to clients, which on an average requires them to drive approximately 11,000 miles annually; and
- WHEREAS, reimbursement of mileage to staff for use of their private vehicles is insufficient to justify the operation, maintenance and depreciation of their vehicles; and
- WHEREAS, the Client Business Office is requesting a revision of their budget to include one (1) transportation driver position, two (2) personal care/homemaker positions, and approval to purchase two vehicles in order to adequately provide essential services to its clients, and to provide adequate transportation for its staff; and
- WHEREAS, the proposed rate of pay for the transportation driver position is \$7.38 per hour (\$15,350.00 annually), and \$7.00 per hour (\$14,560.00 annually) for each of the personal care/homemaker positions.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the request of the Client Business Office to revise its budget to include one (1) transportation driver position at an annual salary of \$15,350, and two (2) personal care/homemaker positions, at an annual salary of \$14,560 each.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it further approves the Client Business Office request to purchase two (2) vehicles which will allow them to provide adequate services to its clients, and also provide adequate transportation for staff members.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby waives the capital expenditure freeze in order for the Client Business Office to purchase two (2) vehicles.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>September 10, 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(a), (i), (k), (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).

ACTING Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council