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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Attorney requests authorization from the Tribal Council for renewal of a Special Counsel Contract with attorney Jay Natoli to serve as Special Counsel for the Tribe in negligence and tort defense matters and in such related matters as the Tribal Attorney deems appropriate under the circumstances; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Attorney advises the Tribal Council that monies are available for special counsel under the Tribe's Self-Insured Reserve Account under the <u>Tribe's Self-Insured Program</u>; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Attorney advises the Tribal Council that in the past three years Mr. Natoli has been Special Counsel that he has been successful in representing the Tribe and it is in the best interest of the Tribe to continue to renew Mr. Natoli's Special Counsel Contract; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Attorney recommends that authorization be granted to execute the Special Counsel Contract in the form and content attached hereto; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concurs with the recommendation of the Tribal Attorney.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman and Tribal Attorney to execute the attached special Counsel Contract with Jay Natoli to serve as Special Counsel for the Tribe in the area of negligence and tort defense primarily through the Tribe's Risk Management Program.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes Tribal Chairman and in his absence, Vice-Chairman and any other required Tribal official to execute any and all documents necessary to implement this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>October 5, 2001</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</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), (b), (d), (i), (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).

ACTING Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council