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

- WHEREAS, by virtue of the Tribe's inherent sovereignty over the lands and waters of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, in addition to the powers listed in the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Council has authority and responsibility to protect and promote the health of Tribal ecosystems; and
- WHEREAS, through the implementation of the Land Restoration Code, using the Permanent Land Restoration Fund, the Land Restoration Board has, by a vote of seven (7) in favor and zero (0) against, recommends a suite of restoration projects (EQIP Fencing Proposal, Power Dam Ditch Irrigation, Assessment of noxious/invasive weeds, and Black Bear Workshop) for Tribal Council approval based on the Permanent Land Restoration Fund 2003 net income; and
- **WHEREAS**, the proposed restoration projects will be funded by the Permanent Land Restoration Fund for the 2004-2005 fiscal year; and
- WHEREAS, the proposed restoration projects will extend ongoing restoration efforts through physical restoration of important waters and rangeland, and assessment of noxious and invasive weeds, and the education of the Tribal Council and Resource Professionals.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the following restoration projects: EQIP Fencing Proposal, Power Dam Irrigation, Assessment of noxious/invasive weeds, and the Black Bear Workshop submitted by various Tribal Entities.

The foregoing resolution was on MAY 20, 2004 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). (i), (o), (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

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Secretary of) the Tribal Council