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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe Tribal Council has designated the White Mountain Apache Fire & Rescue Department as the official fire department of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (Resolution 10-90-235); and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Fire & Rescue Department is responsible for safe and efficient community fire protection services, including fire prevention, fire suppression, and rescue services on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs fire department was originally established to protect only the buildings and property belonging to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Apache Agency; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs structure fire department no longer exists; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Fire & Rescue Department is seriously under-funded and presently unable to provide adequate fire protection services to all communities of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it desires to contract the administration of the Community Fire Protection Program in FY 2004/2005.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribal Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, or his designated representative, be authorized to enter into, negotiate, and execute the P.L. 93-638 Community Fire Protection Contract in FY 04/05.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>AUGUST 5, 2004</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</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), (f), (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).

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Secretary of the Tribal Council