

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that breastfeeding a baby is an important and basic act of nurture that must be encouraged in the interests of maternal and child health and family values; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe desires to comply with the breastfeeding promotion program established under the federal Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. Section 1771 et seq.), the Tribal Council recognizes breastfeeding as the best method of infant nutrition; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Tribe to help prevent diabetes and other illness in the children of Tribal members and other employees; and

WHEREAS, the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Academy of Family Practice Physicians both encourage exclusive breastfeeding for six months and continued breastfeeding after the addition of solids or at least twelve months, and as long after as mutually desired; and

WHEREAS, the Apache Diabetes Wellness Center is promoting exclusive breastfeeding as a way to prevent diabetes and other illnesses; and

WHEREAS, the Apache Diabetes Wellness Center has been undertaking a trial of two Employee Policies and Procedures to promote exclusive breastfeeding by employees of the Tribe since July 10, 2002 as authorized by Resolution 07-2002-153, and has several supervisors and employees who have utilized these policies available for testimony.

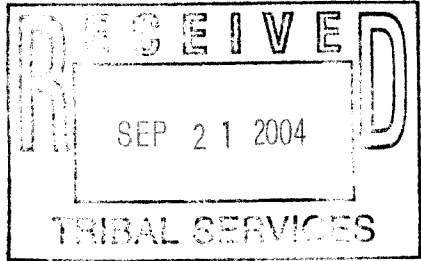
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby encourages each White Mountain Apache woman to exclusively breastfeed each of her children for six months and then continue breastfeeding until at least twelve months of age after the addition of solids.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests each supervisor of the Tribe and its enterprises to do all that he or she can to promote and encourage exclusive breastfeeding of each newborn born to an employee through implementation of two Employee Policies: Leave Associated with Pregnancy and Breastfeeding, and Promotion of Exclusive Breastfeeding. It also requests the Apache Diabetes Wellness Center to provide information to inform work sites, enterprises, and departments of these policies and the importance of breastfeeding to the health of the Tribe.


The foregoing resolution was on SEPTEMBER 8, 2004 duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT 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), (h), (i), (k), (s), (t), and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe,

Resolution No. 09-2004-208

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

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Secretary of the Tribal Council