

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

**(Recommending that BIA Education Respond to Aaron James' Grievance)**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 1(a) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, Aaron James, a member of the Tribe, has this day come before the Tribal Council with a complaint regarding the Theodore Roosevelt School, which is operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Education Programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. James filed a grievance for his treatment by a non-member supervisor at the School; and

**WHEREAS**, there has been no response to Mr. James' grievance by the School or by the Office of Indian Education Programs within the 90-day period required under the School's applicable personnel policies and procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears that Mr. James has not received the due process that he seeks and that his concerns are not being addressed by the School's management; and

**WHEREAS**, the Education Line Officer for the Office of Indian Education Programs responsible for the Theodore Roosevelt School, is Mr. Kevin Skenadore; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council finds that Mr. James' grievance appears to have merit and is concerned that he may not be receiving the due process due him.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council that:

1. Based upon the information provided to the Tribal Council, the Tribal Council disagrees with the treatment provided by the School to Mr. Aaron James.
2. The Chairman is hereby directed to advise Kevin Skenadore of the concerns raised by Mr. James in writing, that Mr. James not be disciplined by the School for bringing his concerns to the Tribal Council's attention, and to seek a written response.

The foregoing resolution was on NOVEMBER 9, 2005, duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN 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), (c), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by

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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

  
Secretary of the Tribal Council