

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

(Permission to Publish an Article on Prevention of Pregnancy Complications)

WHEREAS, pregnancy induced hypertension (PIH), preeclampsia, and eclampsia are pregnancy complications that cause sickness, disability, and sometimes death to pregnant women and their babies; and

WHEREAS, women and children of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation have, until recently, suffered serious and at times deadly medical complications due to very high rates of PIH, preeclampsia, and eclampsia; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service (IHS) and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (W.I.C.) have instituted programs to increase calcium intake of pregnant women of the reservation to decrease their risk of PIH, preeclampsia, and eclampsia; and

WHEREAS, these programs appear to have reduced significantly rates of PIH, preeclampsia and eclampsia in pregnant women of the Reservation.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it is important to share this information on safe and effective methods of preventing sickness in pregnant women and children.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that Frederick Timothy Strand, MD, Director of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (W.I.C.) For the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, has permission of the Tribe to publish an article for the medical literature on the possible role of dietary and supplemental calcium in preventing PIH, eclampsia, preeclampsia, and related medical problems in women and children of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on DECEMBER 8, 2005 duly adopted by a vote of SIX 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), (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).



Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council