

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

(Requesting the Indian Health Service transfer of Emilia Speer to a position off the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and the reinstatement of El Maria Tortice)

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, 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, Roberta Leslie, an enrolled member of the Tribe, did this day present a request for Emilia Speer, an employee of the Indian Health Service Whiteriver Service Unit, to be excluded from the lands of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, because Ms. Speer has conducted herself in a manner offensive to White Mountain Apache culture; and
- WHEREAS, Ms. Leslie also requests that the Indian Health Service reinstate El Maria Tortice who was terminated from her position of Medical Support Assistant by Ms. Speer; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concurs with the request of Ms. Leslie, and finds that the Indian Health Service should transfer Emilia Speer immediately to a position with another service unit outside of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and that the transfer should be permanently maintained; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council further finds that the Indian Health Service should reinstate El Maria Tortice.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the U.S. Indian Health Service is hereby requested to:
 - 1. Transfer Emilia Speer, an employee of the Whiteriver Service Unit, to a position with another service unit outside of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and ensure that the transfer be permanently maintained; and
 - 2. Immediately reinstate El Maria Tortice to her position of Medical Support Assistant or its equivalent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairwoman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>August 6, 2008</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against and <u>ONE</u> abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council