



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

(Approving Application for FY 2009 Historic Preservation Fund Grant to Indian Tribes)

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, the Tribe possesses land, heritage and natural resources which are valuable tribal assets in need of protection and preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Office of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (hereinafter the "HPO") and Culture Center (of the Nohwike' Bagowa Museum) have identified the *FY 2009 Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Indian Tribes* by the Tribal Preservation Program, Heritage Preservation Services, National Park Service as a funding agency to submit a grant application to by the deadline date of January 30th, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the HPO and Culture Center have determined that a traditional cultural site (will remain unnamed to protect the site location as confidential) on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, homeland of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, has been degraded through various activities in the past that were harmful to the area and subsequent inspection determined that there is a need to rehabilitate, restore, maintain, and protect this cultural site in behalf of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the THPO, Culture Center Director, Planning and Community Development office grant writer/Culture Advisory Board member will develop the grant application and budget for \$40,000 for a project titled, "*Survey of a White Mountain Apache Cultural Site Project,*" to conduct a survey of the identified site to determine the needs for its future restoration and protection, recognizing that it is within our purview to make decisions such as this for the benefit of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, given the grant application deadline at the end of this month, the Tribal Council is urgently requested to consider approving this application at this meeting (January) due to the recent memorandum by the Tribal Leadership to disallow any walk-through tribal resolutions outside of its regularly scheduled meetings; therefore, there will be no other council meeting time that will allow for this to be processed.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that:

1. The Tribe's Historic Preservation Office with consultants/collaborators is hereby authorized to submit a grant proposal for FY 2009 funding through (with no matching fund requirement) to the Tribal Preservation Program, National Park Service Grant Program to request funding of \$40,000 for the "*Survey of a White Mountain Apache Cultural Site Project.*"

2. The grant award, is hereby accepted, in the event that it is approved by that National Park Service, subject to the terms and conditions of the grant and to a review by the Tribe's Legal Department.
3. A budget for expenditure of proposed project grant funds is hereby approved for development by the Historic Preservation Office for the purposes of grant project work, administration and project monitoring and the Tribe's contribution to this project will include staff time, office facilities, and equipment as indirect costs.
4. The Tribal Historic Preservation Officer will be the project director and is hereby authorized to manage the *FY 2009 Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Indian Tribes*, National Park Service Grant on behalf of the Tribe through its Historic Preservation Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that votes and signatures of a quorum approving this proposed grant application and survey project shall confer commitment and support by the tribal leaders for this critical cultural preservation survey project and that they agree that this project is necessary for the identification of the needs to rehabilitate and restore this site for the benefit of the Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that given the urgency of the request described herein, this Resolution will be voted upon during its regularly scheduled council meeting for January, 2009, and directs that the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than the end of this month's council meeting to obtain a vote by signatures or by no signature, and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective members of the Tribal Council for a vote.

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 document necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on **JANUARY 8, 2009** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** for and **ZERO** against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (g), (j), (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