

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

(Appointing Michelle I. Austin as Chief Financial Officer)

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 position of Chief Financial Officer became vacant on October 8, 2008, pursuant to Resolution No. 10-2008-243; and

WHEREAS, Michelle I. Austin, who was the Controller for the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Accounting Department for several years, is currently available and is well qualified to assume the duties of the Chief Financial Officer for the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it is in the best interest of the Tribe to enter into a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Michelle I. Austin for the purposes set forth above, pending a review of the agreement by the Tribal Legal Department.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves a Professional Services Agreement between Michelle I. Austin and the Tribe for a term of one (1) year commencing January 15, 2009, pending review of the PSA by the Tribal Legal Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that in the event of any inconsistency between this Resolution and a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall govern.

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 <u>January 15, 2009</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> 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), (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).

ACTING Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council