



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

**(Requesting consideration of pending enrollment application for Kaden James Rivera)**

**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,** Loretta Brock and her family approached the Tribal Council and informed them that their daughter, Andriel Rose Rivera and her husband were in a custody dispute in Wichita, Kansas regarding Kaden James Rivera, who is a direct descendant by blood of a member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and


**WHEREAS,** Kaden James Rivera's status as a White Mountain Apache Tribal Member is currently being reviewed by the Tribe's Enrollment Committee and his membership may have a substantial effect on the custody proceedings as he may be considered an Indian child under the Indian Child Welfare Act; and

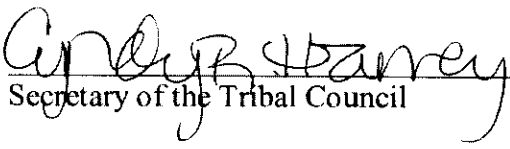
**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Tribe to notify the Kansas court of the pending membership status of Kaden James Rivera and to request that it stay any final determination pending the outcome of the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Enrollment Committee.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby respectfully requests to the Kansas court hearing the Kaden James Rivera matter, that it stay any final determination regarding his custody, pending the outcome of the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Enrollment Committee decision on his membership with the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

**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 April 23, 2009, duly adopted by a vote of NINE 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), (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