

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

## (Appointing Fred Soto as the Assistant Tribal Attorney)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) and 1(s) 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 White Mountain Apache Tribe has a compelling interest in defending its land and resources, promoting the sanctity of tribal governance, protecting tribal sovereignty and jurisdiction and generally promoting the rule of law on tribal lands; and

WHEREAS, the legal department is heavily burdened, understaffed and underfunded and desperately seeks additional assistance to carry out the demanding legal needs of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, there is currently a vacancy in the legal department for the position of Assistant Tribal Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Fred Soto, a qualified applicant, expressed interest in the position and the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to hire Fred Soto.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, that it hereby appoints Fred Soto as a full-time permanent employee, at the salary of seventy-five thousand (\$75,000) dollars with two-thousand (\$2,000) dollars allotted for travel and moving expenses.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in the event of any inconsistency between this resolution and any other 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 documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on May 6, 2009 duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN 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), (d), (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