

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

(Approving grant application for a Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation project)

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 White Mountain Apache Tribe has adopted and hereby affirms that all the Tribal programs

should make an effort to hire people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Education Department was awarded a Vocational Rehabilitation Grant in 2004 to

assist the Tribe in employing Tribal members with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Vocational Rehabilitation Program (VRP) has established a sound foundation and

cooperating working arrangements with the State of Arizona Rehabilitation Services

Administration and various Tribal programs; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's VRP staff served over 200 tribal members with disabilities and has had successful

outcomes with over 100 individuals who obtained employment with the Tribe, including

positions in customer service and small businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's VRP hopes to continue serving Tribal members with disabilities and plans to apply

for the 2009 U.S. Department of Education's Vocational Rehabilitation Services Projects for Americans with Disabilities Grant which will provide two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for and

additional five (5) years.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the filing of a grant application for a Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation project, and pending funding, approves continuation of the Tribe's Vocational Rehabilitation Program and its admirable objectives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that in the event of any inconsistency between this Resolution and any 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 documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>July 9, 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), (i), (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).

Ronnie Lupe, Chairman of the Tribal Council

Cyndy R. Harvey, Secretary of the Tribal Council

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