

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

(Authorizing JHU-WMAT Submission of National Institutes of Health Grant)

- 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 Tribal Council supports carefully designed research and service projects to address priority health problems which exist in the population and to develop appropriate interventions to decrease or alleviate these problems; and
- WHEREAS, Johns Hopkins University has been a primary partner with the Tribe on current and past National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Indian Health Service (IHS) jointly operated Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) programs to develop and build capacity within our community to address our priority health problems; and
- WHEREAS, NARCH in conjunction with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have mounted an effort to advance the adaptation and evaluation of evidence-based HIV/AIDS prevention interventions in American Indian and Alaska Native communities; and
- WHEREAS, NARCH and CDC are currently offering a grant opportunity to current NARCH V program awardees, of which the White Mountain Apache-Johns Hopkins NARCH partnership is currently eligible; and
- whereas, the White Mountain Apache and Johns Hopkins partnership is exceptionally equipped and experienced to adapt and evaluate such interventions based on past successes with the Family Spirit, Cradling Our Future, and Empowering Our Spirits prevention interventions; and
- WHEREAS, the successful receipt and implementation of this grant would indicate the applicability of evidence-based interventions in diverse communities, decrease the burden of HIV/AIDS related risk factors including sexually transmitted infections and teen pregnancy in the White Mountain Apache community and provide a foundation for replication in other communities suffering disproportionately from these health problems; and
- WHEREAS, we have a solid foundation for this type of work and can share our lessons with the world; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed this matter thoroughly and finds that it is in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to authorize Johns Hopkins University to pursue this grant and to access HIV/AIDS related risk-factor data from the Indian Health Service as set forth above.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes Johns Hopkins University to pursue this grant opportunity via NARCH V to address priority health problems that exist on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves and supports Johns Hopkins need for access to HIV/AIDS related risk-factor data from Indian Health Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with 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 Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on MAY 12, 2010 duly adopted by a vote of TEN 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), (i), (j), (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

Mariddie Craig, Secretary of the Tribal Council