

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

## (Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a P.L. 93-638 Self Determination Contract for Tribal Services)

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 is advised that the Tribal Office of Vital Records, has had serious shortfalls in the last few years, which has led to inadequate funding to maintain necessary office supplies and repair or upgrade outdated and inoperable office equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Vital Records, under the supervision of the Tribal Council Secretary, provides a valuable and necessary function to the Triba and its members, by processing tribal enrollment applications, conducting genealogy research, maintaining tribal member files, providing accurate data and reports on enrollment and deaths of Tribal members, and preparing tribal Affidavits to verify enrollment; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is further advised that the BIA Tribal Services Office provides a similar function, which fulfills requests for Certificates of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB), conducts genealogy research, and maintains tribal enrollment records; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council Secretary recommends that the Tribal Services enrollment function of the BIA be contracted and included in the Tribal Vital Records Office, which would allow for additional funding for employment and training of Tribal members in the field of Tribal Enrollment administration, and funding to assist with additional office supplies and equipment to enhance the Office of Vital Records; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes the importance of providing employment and training to Tribal members, and in furtherance of Congressional and Tribal policies and goals for self-determination and self-government, concludes that it would be in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to enter into a P. L. 93-638 Contract for the BIA Tribal Services Enrollment function currently being performed by the Fort Apache Agency.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests a contract with the U. S. Department of the Interior for the federal function of Tribal Services, pursuant to P. L. 93-638 (25 U.S.C. Sub Section 450 et seq.).

## Resolution No. <u>06-2010-186</u>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribal Chairman, or his designee, is hereby authorized to immediately negotiate and execute a P. L. 93-638 Contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Apache Agency, for all Tribal Services enrollment functions presently being performed by the Fort Apache Indian Agency.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Fort Apache Agency Tribal Services enrollment function will be incorporated with the current Tribal Office of Vital Records.

**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 <u>JUNE 30</u>, <u>2010</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</u> for, <u>TWO</u> against, and <u>ONE</u> abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (i), (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