

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

(Identifying the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families [TANF] as an Essential Program)

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, Resolution 06-2010-177 identified a list of non-essential programs based upon comments, feedback, discussions and recommendations received; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 06-2010-177 directed the Director of Tribal Social Services to take all necessary steps to eliminate the TANF staff and to retrocede the program back to the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, many meetings have occurred at the local and State level to determine the pros and cons of retroceding the TANF Program back to the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that the TANF Program is essential to the Tribe and that all efforts should be made to maintain the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to amend their finding in Resolution 06-2010-177, identifying the TANF Program as an essential program.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby specifies the Tribal Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program as an essential program.

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>AUGUST 5</u>, 2010 duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</u> for and <u>TWO</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), (b), (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 J. Craig, Secretary of the Tribal Council