

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

(Support for Implementation of an AMBER ALERT 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, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) has announced the AMBER Alert in Indian Country initiative to establish and expand child recovery practices, capacity, and resources; and
- WHEREAS, DOJ has selected the White Mountain Apache Tribe to participate in a pilot program and that an assessment needs to be completed to allow the Tribe access to funding; and
- WHEREAS, there is a limited understanding and awareness of the AMBER Alert Program as the partnerships needs to create an AMBER Alert plan for Tribal communities with the understanding that there will be no Tribal contributions to cover costs associated with this project; and
- WHEREAS, the AMBER Alert plans require critical partnerships between law enforcement, broadcast/ media industry, department of transportation, schools, Tribal programs and other organizations to effectively recover endangered or abducted children; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Police Department will design and develop a plan for activating a local AMBER Alert system, including equipment purchasing, training, and developing an inter-agency relationship; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to authorize the White Mountain Apache Police Department to implement the AMBER Alert Program on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby supports the AMBER Alert Program and authorizes the White Mountain Apache Police Department to participate in the pilot project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby ensure full implementation of the plans for the AMBER Alert Program and will continue this support until such time the program ceases or this resolution is rescinded.

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.

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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>JANUARY 5, 2011</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</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), (b), (c), (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