

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

(Establishing Performing Arts Youth Program and Appointing Grant Writer To Seek Funding)

WHEREAS, the youth of the White Mountain Apache Tribe are faced with difficult times, they live in a rural area and have few extra-curricular activities to keep them occupied and out of trouble; and

WHEREAS, the consequences of having relatively few activities on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation") leads to increased illegal youth activity, fights, graffiti, gang activity, increased bootlegging, increased drug sales, suicide, medical issues, delinquency, school drop outs, expulsions and teen pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, a group of Tribal and non-Tribal members are taking steps to address youth problems on the Reservation and by establishing the White Mountain Apache Tribal Performing Arts Program for the benefit of our Apache youth; and

WHEREAS, Apache youth have shown strong interest in such a program and the potential for encouraging our youth and developing their young minds is enormous; and

WHEREAS, after the program launches, it will accept an invitation to the Rose Bowl Parade, that has already been issued; and

WHEREAS, immediate action is needed in order to find adequate funding and equipment to provide members of the Performing Arts Program; and

WHEREAS, the Program intends to solicit Dustin Benavides as a primary Grant Writer for this program and requests any available Tribal Grant Writers to assist in seeking out funding for the program; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to support the efforts of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Performing Arts Program and its sponsors in order to benefit Apache youth.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby recognizes the White Mountain Apache Tribal Youth Performing Arts Program as an entity of the Tribe and authorizes the program to operate as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, so that the program may seek adequate funding through grants that are available for such purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes and appoints Dustin Benavides as the primary grant writer and that he shall seek funding for the benefit of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Youth Performing Arts Program.

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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>JUNE 1, 2011</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against and TWO by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (i), (k), (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

Secretary of the Tribal Council