

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

(Authorizing Transfer of Home Improvement Program to Housing Authority)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is aware that the Housing Improvement Program ("HIP") has been in disarray for many years and Tribal Members have suffered as a result of outstanding administrative issues; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs ("BIA") has notified the Tribe of its lack of compliance with federal regulations, including failure to adhere to reporting requirements, thereby requiring a program review to ensure that the program is operating efficiently; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Planner suggested that the White Mountain Apache Housing Authority may be better equipped to take over the responsibilities of HIP because it has the expertise that the Tribe is currently lacking and could more easily finance and administer such a program; and

WHEREAS, other Tribes have successfully placed HIP under the direction of their Housing Authority Programs and the Tribal Council finds that it would be in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to do the same.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the transfer of oversight of the Housing Improvement Program to the White Mountain Apache Housing Authority to relieve the Tribe of the responsibility of administering the program and related Public Law 93-638 funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe it hereby requests the Housing Authority to administer the Housing Improvement Program as independent from the Tribe and under the direct supervision of the Housing Authority Director in order to better serve the needs of Tribal Members and to ensure that the Tribe is in compliance with all relevant federal laws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs 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 2, 2011</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</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), (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

Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary of the Tribal Council