

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

(WMAT Youth Performing Arts Program Funding)

- WHEREAS, the State of Arizona provides funding for public education at several schools within the Whiteriver Unified School District (WUSD). The schools are located within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, funding for the performing arts at the publicly funded WUSD schools has been dramatically decreased over the last ten years; and
- WHEREAS, as a result the opportunity for students who attend the schools to engage in vital performing arts programs has been diminished; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe recognizes that extracurricular activities and the performing arts are an integral part of providing a strong education for students who attend the WUSD schools; and
- WHEREAS, in response to the lack of such opportunities, Jerome Kasey developed the WMAT Youth Performing Arts Program consisting of The Winter-Guard, The Brass Ensemble, The Indoor Percussion Ensemble, and Vocal Ensemble; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kasey and others have diligently sought funding for the program through grants and other sources; and
- WHEREAS, despite these efforts, the funding necessary for the program is not available at this time; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Kasey proposed funding the program with half (2.5%) of the 5% TERO fees generated from two major construction projects to be completed by the school district; and
- WHEREAS, the first project is the Canyon Day Teacher Housing Project which WUSD recently contracted with Greenberg Construction to complete for two-million seventy two-thousand and twenty-nine dollars (\$2,072,029); and
- WHEREAS, accordingly the Canyon Day Teacher Housing Project would generate approximately \$51,800 for the WMAT Youth Performing Arts Program; and
- WHEREAS, the second project is the Alchesay High School Building; no TERO compliance plan has been submitted for the AHS Building project so the exact contracted amount is unknown, however it is estimated the project will cost seven-million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000).

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- WHEREAS, accordingly it is estimated the AHS Building project would generate approximately \$187,500 for the WMAT Youth Performing Arts Program; and
- WHEREAS, it is estimated that 2.5% of the TERO fees generated from the two school projects to fund the WMAT Youth Performing Arts Program would be \$239,300.
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that it despite the serious economic need to fund the Tribe it is a priority to provide this opportunity for the youth; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that half (2.5%) of the TERO fee collected on the Canyon Day Teacher Housing Project and the AHS Building Project be provided to the WMAT Youth Performing Arts Program.

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>SEPTEMBER 7, 2011</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against and by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (l), (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