

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Nation Exercising Self-Governance Over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation

Resolution No. 05-2012-33

(Approving Application for 2012 Homeland Security Grant)

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") is entrusted by the Tribe's Constitution to act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe, to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe, and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe, as a federally recognized Indian tribal government, with inherent rights of self governance, and pursuant to its Tribal Constitution, exercises rights of self determination through its elected Council, and enjoys a government-to-government relationship with the federal government of the United States; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has retained the authority, powers and duties to establish and maintain programs to promote emergency preparedness and the public health; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe Department of Health Programs Emergency Preparedness Coordinator identified deficiencies in the Tribe's preparedness that could be addressed through the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Proposal for 2012-2014; and
- WHEREAS, the primary area of concern is the Tribe's lack of an Interoperable Communications Plan within the First Responder Community; and
- WHEREAS, there exists a great need to establish and update communication equipment for use during emergencies that take place within the exterior boundaries of the reservation; and
- **WHEREAS**, the cost for a system sufficient to address this need is approximately \$200,000.00 over a two year period; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that application for the 2012 Tribal Homeland Security Grant Proposal is in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and its members.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes and approves the 2012 Homeland Security Grant application.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that if the requested grant is awarded to the Tribe, a budget for expenditure of the awarded funds is hereby approved, subject to the terms and conditions of the grant and to a review by the Tribe's Legal Department.

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 supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, this Resolution shall be declared null and void and have no legal effect. This Resolution shall not be subject to Judicial Interpretation, only the Tribal Attorney, with the assistance of the Tribal Council Secretary, may opine on Tribal Council intent and the meaning of the language as used herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Acting Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. In the event that the Chairman fails to delegate signatory authority to an Acting Chairman, the Vice-Chairman may sign provided that the Tribal Secretary and a Tribal Attorney attest to the veracity of the subject matter of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 2012 duly adopted by a vote of TEN for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (i), (s), (t) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution, 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

Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary

Richard J. Palmer, Jr., Attorney