



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

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

Resolution No. 11-2012-171

(Directing Business Office to Return or Sell Tribal Vehicles to Dealer)

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 Tribal Council has endured much criticism and derision over the use of Tribal vehicles for personal use and general public discontent regarding members, particularly with respect to benefits received above and beyond the generous salary paid Council representatives to carry out the duties they were elected to do; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer, Senior Chief Accountant, and Controller have advised the Tribal Council that the Tribe's financial situation is dire and have recommended that the Tribal Council take action to remedy the situation by instituting measures that would reduce financial waste and excess, including considering reductions of Tribal Business hours to 64 hours, evaluating and terminating underperforming employees, a general Reduction in Force, Furlough, and other cost-cutting measures that would help save the Tribe money so that the Tribe may pay outstanding debts to creditors and vendors; and

WHEREAS, due to the severe nature of the cost-cutting measures recommended, the Treasurer and Business Office staff have determined that it would be a show of good faith for the Tribal Council to begin by reducing excess and waste at the top and parking the Tribe's vehicles as part of the Tribe's Fleet management efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Business Office recommendation to park the vehicles as part of a general Tribal fleet was not appreciated by various members of the Tribal Council as it would appear that the cost savings would be minimal by simply parking the vehicles; and

WHEREAS, after much discussion and deliberation, the Tribal Council determined that despite the importance of having Tribal transportation due to the 24/7 nature of their job, they prefer that the vehicles they were issued be returned to the dealer from which they were leased or purchased.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that all Tribal Vehicles assigned to members of the governing body that were recently leased or

purchased be returned to the dealer as part of a cost-cutting approach by Tribal leaders that would help, however minor, the Tribe recover financially over time.

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.

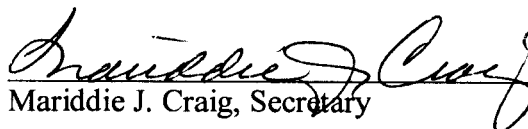
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Acting Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. In the event that the Chairman fails to delegate signatory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

The foregoing resolution was on NOVEMBER 8, 2012 duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT for and ZERO against and ONE abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (k), (r), (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

12/12/12
Date



Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary

12-10-2012
Date