

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

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

## **Resolution No. 01-2013-12**

## (Implementation of White Mountain Apache Tribal Institutional Review Board)

- 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 in collaboration with other entities have conducted many research studies within the White Mountain Apache Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, research whether human subjects, cultural, environmental, etc., is important and necessary for the White Mountain Apache people; and
- WHEREAS, some research projects have been approved by both the White Mountain Apache Health Advisory Board and Tribal Council without complete understanding of the proposed research study; and
- WHEREAS, the implementation of an advance review process, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Institutional Review Board (WMAT-IRB) will provide additional review of proposed research by individuals with sufficient expertise in a specified field; and
- WHEREAS, all research proposals must be submitted to the White Mountain Apache Tribal Institutional Review Board before the Health Advisory Board and Tribal Council will provide final approval; and
- WHEREAS, the implementation of the WMAT-IRB will ensure that the proposed research is relevant and beneficial to the White Mountain Apache people, and that such research will not pose any unnecessary risks to the people involved and/or the White Mountain Apache Tribe and its culture.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the implementation of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Institutional Review Board.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves all necessary training and implantation activities for the WMAT-IRB establishment.

**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 <u>JANUARY 2, 2013</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against and <u>ZERO</u> abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (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

Date

Date