

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

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

Resolution No. 12-2013-225

(Authorizing Implementation of White Mountain Apache Tribal Institutional Review Board (IRB))

- 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 partnership between the White Mountain Apache Tribe and Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health has conducted numerous research studies to understand health concerns effecting tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, this partnership received approval to establish the White Mountain Apache Tribal Institutional Review Board (WMAT-IRB) to ensure research whether human subjects, cultural, environmental, etc., be reviewed by individuals with sufficient expertise in a specific field; and

WHEREAS, the specific field of expertise shall include the following:

- attorney
- physician
- scientist
- education
- non-scientist
- medicine man/woman
- clergy
- community members
- current health board member; and
- WHEREAS, all research proposals must be submitted to the White Mountain Apache Tribal Institutional Review Board before the 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 above-listed amendments to the original resolution of 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 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>DECEMBER 3, 2013</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</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), (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).

Romie Lupe Chairman

Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary