



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (Establishing Annual Lease Fees for All Churches on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation )

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**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Resolution No. 09-90-209, adopted September 12, 1990, a minimum annual lease fee of \$100.00 was established by the Tribal Council for all tribally-recognized churches operating on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council is advised that there are approximately forty-five (45) churches operating within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (identified in the attachment hereto), however only sixteen (16) of these churches have valid long-term leases; and

**WHEREAS,** all churches have been contacted on numerous occasions to enter into valid lease agreements with the Tribe for their occupancy and use of Tribal lands, however, a majority of the churches have failed to comply; and

**WHEREAS,** the 25-year lease terms for some of the churches will begin to expire in 2015, and it will become necessary to negotiate new lease agreements; and

**WHEREAS,** long-term leases, subject to BIA approval, must contain a valid legal description, which many of the churches have been unable to obtain; and

**WHEREAS,** it is recommended that all churches occupying and utilizing tribal lands for religious purposes be directed to enter into a lease with the Tribe and begin paying lease fees as established by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council has considered this matter and believes it would be in the best interest of the Tribe that all churches located on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation have a valid permit to operate a church on the reservation, as well as a valid Land Lease for the tribal lands they are occupying; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council further believes it would be in the best interest of the Tribe to establish that lease fees for churches are hereby waived.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that all churches located on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation shall have a valid permit to operate a church on the reservation, as well as a valid Land Lease for the Tribal lands they are occupying.

**BE IT FURTHER REVOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby establishes that lease fees for Churches are hereby waived.

**Resolution No. 06-2014-67**

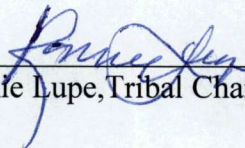
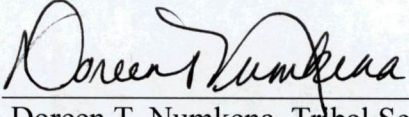
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribal Realty Office shall be responsible for the issuance of permits, as well as preparing Land Leases pursuant to applicable tribal and federal lease regulations.

**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, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this resolution shall be deemed 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 Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on **JUNE 6, 2014** duly adopted by a vote of **NINE** for and **ZERO** against with **ZERO** abstaining by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

	<u>7/16/14</u>		<u>7-16-2014</u>
Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman	Date	Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary	Date

No.	Church Name	Pastor	Location	Resolution	Comments
01	Word of God	Tommy Keyes	East Fork	None	No Lease/Permit
02	Fire on the Mountain	Edmond Cosay	East Fork	None	No Lease/Permit
03	East Fork Miracle	Winona Lupe	East Fork	None	No Lease/Permit
04	Riverside Church	Valentina Begay	East Fork	None	No Lease/Permit
05	Grace of God	June C. Bush	East Fork	None	No Lease/Permit
06	House of God	Laura M. James	East Fork	None	No Lease/Permit
07	East Fork Lutheran	Martin Hahm	East Fork	Mission Land	EF Mission Land
08	Apostolic	Keith Matthews	Whiteriver	05-2007-176	Exp: 04/30/2032
09	Apache Lutheran	Daniel Routenberg	Whiteriver	01-2008-04	Exp: 12/31/2032
10	Miracle	Floyd Dosela	Whiteriver	None	No Lease/Permit
11	Assembly of God	Robert Jimenez	Whiteriver	03-99-48	Exp: 02/28/2024
12	Whiteriver Baptist	Ronnie Lyons	Whiteriver	02-98-16	Exp: 02/29/2023.
13	St. Francis Catholic	Fr. Ed Fronski	Whiteriver	None	No Lease/Permit
14	WMA Christian Church	Kurt Foland	Whiteriver	None	Mike Cooley Land
15	DC Miracle	Lex Baha	Diamond Creek	None	No Lease/Permit
16	Rose of Sharon	Samson Hinton	North Fork	04-2009-96	No Lease/Permit
17	McNary LDS	See Lease	McNary	09-90-209	Exp: 04/30/2015
18	McNary Baptist	Jack Townsend	McNary	None	No Lease/Permit
19	St. Anthony Catholic	Bernard Green	McNary	05-91-131	Exp: 06/30/2016
20	Indian Church of God	Gertie Lupe	McNary	None	No Lease/Permit
21	McNary Miracle	Andrew Kinney Sr	McNary	None	Inactive?
22	St. Catherine Catholic	Fr. Ed. Fronski	Cibecue	None	No Lease/Permit
23	House of Prayer	Theresa Lee	Cibecue	None	No Lease/Permit
24	Cibecue Miracle	Evalina James	Cibecue	None	No Lease/Permit
25	Full Gospel	Ernie Reed	Cibecue	None	No Lease/Permit
26	Pentecostal	Eunice Tessler	Cibecue	None	No Lease/Permit
27	Assembly of God	Noelle Wells	Cibecue	03-99-48	Exp: 02/28/2024
28	Ftn of Living Waters	Wayne Stevens	Cibecue	None	No Lease/Permit
29	Cibecue Lutheran	Daniel Routenberg	Cibecue	01/2008-04	Exp: 12/31/2032
30	Cibecue LDS	See Lease	Cibecue	09-90-209	Exp: 04/30/2015
31	New Life Fellowship	Jerry Lee	Cibecue	None	No Lease/Permit
32	Assembly of God	Barbara Wellard	Carrizo	03-99-48	Exp: 02/28/2024
33	Assembly of God	David Cota	Cedar Creek	03-99-48	Exp: 02/28/2024
34	" R-14 Camp	David Cota	Cedar Creek	None	No Lease/Permit
35	Apache Lutheran	Daniel Routenberg	Cedar Creek	01-2008-04	Exp: 12/31/2032
36	St. Anthony Catholic	Fr. Ed Fronski	Cedar Creek	None	No Lease/Permit
37	Apache Lutheran	Daniel Routenberg	Fort Apache	01-2008-04	Exp: 12/31/2032
38	Fort Apache LDS	See Lease	Fort Apache	09-90-209	Exp: 04/30/2013
39	Canyon Day Miracle	Leroy Tate	Canyon Day	None	No Lease/Permit
40	Lighthouse	Reno Johnson, Sr.	Canyon Day	None	No Lease/Permit
41	Assembly of God	Marvin Begay	Canyon Day	03-99-48	Exp: 02/28/2024
42	Apache Lutheran	Martin Hahm	Canyon Day	01-2008-04	Exp: 12/31/2032
43	Old Miracle	Unknown	Canyon Day	None	Inactive?
44	Miracle	Timothy Hinton	Seven Mile	None	No Lease/Permit
45	McNary Pentecostal	Kenneth Patten	McNary	None	No Lease/Permit