

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Application to U.S. Administration for Native Americans Grant Application for Economic Development)

- **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) *inter alia* of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has declared the development of Tribal Farm for production of organic crops as a high priority and one which the Council and the Tribe's agricultural experts have determined to be the most economically beneficial and productive use; and
- WHEREAS, funding assistance is needed for irrigation infrastructure repairs, modifications, installations, organic certification, seeds, services, community support, as well as other needs; and
- WHEREAS, the U.S. Administration for Native Americans (ANA) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), announced the availability of Fiscal Year 2015 funds up to \$400,000.00 per budget period for projects that promote the goal of economic and social self-sufficiency for American Indians; and
- WHEREAS, one allowable activity for funding is defined as, "Economic Development: to promote the creation of a sustainable local economy through subsistence enhancing subsistence and agricultural activities to retain or revitalize traditional native food sources and practices"; and
- WHEREAS, the ANA grant requires a twenty percent (20%) funds match by the recipient using non-federal funding, which may consist entirely of in-kind services such as materials and supplies, use of facilities, direct labor costs, and contract costs with third parties paid by the recipient; and
- WHEREAS, the Water Resources program and the Tribal Farm are working together on revitalizing the local food system through revamping the water system, upgrading the facilities to meet the needs of the community, and provide resources and education to the community; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has determined that a grant application to ANA to benefit Tribal Farm is in the best interest of the Tribe.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that:

- 1. The ANA grant application is hereby approved as a vital source of funding for revitalizing the Tribal Farm.
- 2. In the event that the Tribe receives grant funds from ANA, a budget for expenditure of said funds is hereby approved, subject to the terms and conditions of any applicable funding agreement and review thereof 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, 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 with NOAA and BIA, as required or necessary, to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>FEBRUARY 11, 2015</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for, <u>ZERO</u> against, and <u>ONE</u> abstention 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).

Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

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Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

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