

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving the MOA for Special Education Services Between the McNary Elementary School District No. 23 and Whiteriver Unified School District No. 20 and the White Mountain Apache Head Start Program for the 2015-16 School Year)

- WHEREAS, there is a need on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation") to provide special education services to assist White Mountain Apache Tribal members that have disabilities; and
- WHEREAS, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families Head Start Bureau, ("Bureau") has developed Head Start Program Performance Standards on services for children with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS, the McNary Elementary School District No. 23 and Whiteriver Unified School District No. 20 and the White Mountain Apache Head Start program would like to enter a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA"), developed according to the Head Start Program Performance Standards, combining the respective programs to offer special services to preschoolers with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe operates and manages the White Mountain Apache Head Start program in the interest of promoting Apache childhood education and development; and
- **WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council supports the Tribal Members with disabilities and finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to support the MOA as described herein.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the MOA between the McNary Elementary School District No.23 and Whiteriver Unified School District No. 20 and the White Mountain Apache Head Start program for the purpose of offering services to preschool children with disabilities during the 2015-16 school year.
- **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

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Ordinances, 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 **SEPTEMBER 9, 2015** duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT for, ZERO against, and TWO abstentions 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

9-29-15 Numbera, Tribal Secretary