

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## ( Extend Secretarial Election Amending WMAT Constitution Blood Quantum Requirement )

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council adopted Resolution No. 11-2013-218 whereby the Tribal Council requested a Secretarial Election, pursuant to Article X, Section 2, of the Constitution, for the purpose of providing qualified tribal members the opportunity to vote on an amendment to the Tribe's blood quantum requirement as described in Article II, Sec. 1(b) of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs has called a Secretarial Election on the proposed amendments and set the date for May 10, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Secretarial Election Commission has determined that an extension is necessary for the Secretarial Election and has recommended an extension from May 10, 2016 to June 28, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the Tribe's best interest to accept the recommendation.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby formally requests that the Secretary of the Interior extend the date of the Secretarial election from May 10, 2016 to June 28, 2016.

**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 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 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 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 <u>February 17, 2016</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>TEN</u> for, <u>ZERO</u> against, and <u>ZERO</u> 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

Date Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date