



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

( N'Dee Rodeo Cowboys Association )

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**WHEREAS,** a group of concerned community members, which consists of active rodeo contestants, former rodeo contestants, and avid rodeo supporters, are exceedingly interested in restoring the sport of rodeo on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("FAIR"); and

**WHEREAS,** this group is respectfully requesting the White Mountain Apache Tribe and its leaders to acknowledge and establish N'Dee Rodeo Cowboys Association ("NRCA") as a newly formed association; and

**WHEREAS,** the NRCA, once established, will be recognized by other Indian rodeo associations affiliated with the International Indian Finals Rodeo ("IIFR"). In addition, NRCA will be able to participate in approved rodeos with other Indian associations as well as host rodeos on the FAIR along with sending their top contestants to participate in the International Indian Finals Rodeo annually; and

**WHEREAS,** NRCA's mission is to promote the sport of rodeo in a positive manner for Native Americans across all age groups with an emphasis on youth. NRCA firmly believes that by empowering youth within rodeo organizations through strategies to enhance self-esteem, integrity, responsibility and honor the spirit, they are less likely to engage in substance abuse, gangs and alcohol. NRCA also strives to promote horsemanship, sportsmanship, and competitiveness in the sport of rodeo; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to approve and recognize the N'Dee Rodeo Cowboys Association within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves and recognizes the N'Dee Rodeo Cowboys Association to serve as a rodeo association within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and supports their endeavors in revitalizing the sport of rodeo.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby commends NRCA for their efforts in hosting positive events for our youth and families to keep them involved and entertained with the sport of rodeo.

**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.

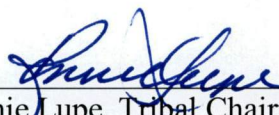


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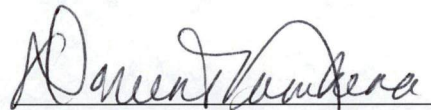
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

**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 JUNE 8, 2016 duly adopted by a vote of TEN for, ZERO against, and ZERO 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).

  
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Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

  
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Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

7-11-2016  
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