

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval to Cover Burial Expenses for Dustin Benevides)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") is entrusted by the Tribe's Constitution to act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has been advised that Tribal member, Dustin Benevides, passed away and that funeral arrangements are pending; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council extends its sincere sympathy to the Salter family; and

WHEREAS, at the time of death, the decedent, had been an employee of the WMAT in the Planning Department. The tribe recognizes his dedicated service. Due to his being over-income, the family is ineligible to receive assistance through Tribal Social Services; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest to provide assistance to the Salter family; and

WHEREAS, given the urgency of funeral arrangements, the Tribal Council further finds that the burial and funeral assistance and payment needs to be considered and made outside of its regularly scheduled meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council further finds that: (1) this Resolution may be voted upon by signature of a member of the Tribal Council where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (2) the Tribal Council Secretary should attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally, (3) no signature would mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, (4) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Treasurer to pay for the funeral expense for the decedent, Dustin Benevides, through the already budgeted burial expense account; with payment of \$2,500 to be submitted directly to Livingston-Owen's Mortuary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that given the urgency of the request described herein, this Resolution may be voted upon as follows: (a) by signature of a member of the Tribal Council, including the Chairman of the Tribal Council and the Vice-Chairman of the Tribal Council, where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (b) the Tribal Council Secretary shall attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally, (c) no signature shall mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this

Resolution, (d) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature, and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

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 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 <u>July</u>, <u>2016</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>S</u> for, <u>Q</u> against, and <u>Q</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

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary Date

Resolution No. 07-2016-142

Signatures of the members of the Tribal Council represent their approval of Tribal Council Resolution No: 07-2016-142 initiated the day of July 2016. Presented Personally by Tribal Council Secretary (TCS)-Indicated by Initials **TCS** Initials Ronnie Lupe Tribal Chairman Kasey Velasquez Date Signed Vice Chairman Date Signed Arnold Beach, Sr. District I Council Member TCS Initials Date Signed Tony Alsenay District I Council Member 7-6-16 FCS Initials Date Signed District II Council Member TCS Initials Date Signed Colleen Faden District II Council Member TCS Initials District III Council Member CS Initials Date Signed District III Council Member TCS Initials Date Signed Jerome Kasey III District IV Council Member TCS Initials Date Signed Alvena Bush District IV Council Member **PCS** Initials Date Signed rett Massey District IV Council Member ANTEST: 7-6-2016 Date Signed Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Council Secretary