



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing Filming Permit for America from the Ground Up Series)

- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) has, since the establishment of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Reservation”) in 1871 and the adoption of its founding Constitution and By-Laws in 1938, exercised its inherent sovereign and constitutional authority and the this spectacular remnant of its aboriginal territory, safeguarding the reservation and the Apache people from unwarranted and unwelcome impositions of trespass, ideas, institutions, and jurisdiction, as well as impudent and unreasonable management and use; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe’s vigilance and diligence has extended to the protection of significant, and essentially irreplaceable culture memories and places, including the Fort Apache and Theodore Roosevelt School, recognized as a National Historic Landmark because it contains, preserves, and interprets the full span of Apache history and of United States Indian Policy since the 1860s; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe’s Heritage Program, comprised of the Nohwike’ Bagowa Museum, the Office of the Cultural Resources Rirector, the Historic Preservation Office, and the WMAT National Archives, has for many decades documented and preserved N’Dee history and heritage and the history of Tribe’s lands through the collection, conservation, and appropriate use of objects, photographs, recordings, archival materials, and cultural and historic sites to serve as resources for community education and heritage perpetuation; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Lemont A. “Monty” Dobson, Professor at Central Michigan University and Executive Producer at Stratigraphic Productions, is currently producing *America from the Ground Up*, a multi-year public television series that explores American History and archaeology, giving particular attention to Native American perspectives; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Dobson has respectfully requested permission to bring his six-person production team to the Reservation for two or three days of videography (May14-16, 2017) to tell the story of the United States’ Native American roots, westward expansion, and impacts on Native lives and lands, as elements of *American from the Ground Up* Season Two, Episodes One and Six; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Welch has personally consulted with and obtained initial endorsements for the proposed videography from the White Mountain Apache Tribe Cultural Resources Director (Mr. Ramon Riley), Historic Preservation Officer (Mr. Mark Altaha), and Museum Director (Dr. Karl Hoerig), as well as from the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation Chief Executive Officer (Ms. Krista Beazley) and Board Chairman (Dr. Joe Kalt); and
- WHEREAS,** The White Mountain Apache Tribe Cultural Resources Director has tentatively agreed to participate and to facilitate participation by other Apache historians and cultural experts in the videography to assure inclusion of authoritative Apache voices and perspective; and
- WHEREAS,** The Theodore Roosevelt School will not be in session May 14-16, 2017 and therefore videography will not affect school operations or student privacy.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes videography within the Fort Apache and Theodore Roosevelt School National Historic Landmark by the team led by Dr. Dobson, in close consultation with Ms. Beazley, Mr. Riley, Dr. Hoerig, and Dr. Welch.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that, as a condition of the granted authorization, Dr. Dobson shall consult with the White Mountain Apache Tribe Cultural Resources Director, Historic Preservation Officer, and Museum Director, as well as the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation Chief Executive Officer, affording these individuals reasonable opportunities to review and comment upon elements of America from the Ground Up Season Two, Episode One and Six, and any other segments referencing Reservation or Apache history or culture, and shall seek to address and accommodate concerns and requests arising from these review and comments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that, as a further condition of the granted authorization, Dr. Dobson shall provide each of the White Mountain Apache Tribe participants and the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation Chief Executive Officer with one DVD copy of America from the Ground Up Season Two, and shall provide reasonable and good faith consideration of requests to repurpose, for Heritage Program or Foundation needs, video segments referencing Reservation or Apache history or culture.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that is authorizes participation by Heritage Program staff and managers in the videography and encourages the representation of Apache voices and perspectives, including use of our beautiful N'dee Biyati (Apache language).

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 APRIL 5, 2017 duly adopted by a vote of ELEVEN 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).



Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

11-20-2017

Date



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

11-20-2017

Date