



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval of Road Right of Way Conversion from Bureau of Indian Affairs to White Mountain Apache Tribe)

WHEREAS, the BIA currently owns 909 miles of routes on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe finds that transportation infrastructure and facilities currently maintained by the BIA to provide access, services, and improve the safety and security of Tribal members and non members is severely lacking in both funding and execution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that reverting all BIA owned routes and right of ways to Tribally owned facilities under the Tribal Division of Transportation ("DOT") will better facilitate and continue establishing a comprehensive transportation program, and further the long-term interests of the Tribe, and afford greater flexibility and control to prioritize transportation design, construction, and maintenance needs within the reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to direct the Tribal DOT Director to convert all BIA routes to Tribal routes in the Road Inventory Field Data System ("RIFDS") and the National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory ("NTTFI").

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Tribal Division of Transportation to convert all Bureau of Indian Affairs owned routes to Tribal routes in the Road Inventory Field Data System and to convert all Bureau of Indian Affairs Right-of-Way to Tribal owned.

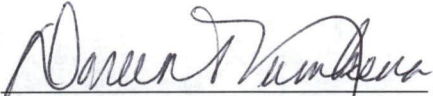
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution 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 **OCTOBER 4, 2018** duly adopted by a vote of **NINE** 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).


Gwendena Lee Gatewood, Tribal Chairwoman Date 10/9/18


Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary Date 10/9/18