



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving the WMAFRD Application for the 2020 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grants Program)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Constitution”) provides, at Article IV, Section 1(j) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power “To accept grants and donations from any person, State or the United States”; and

WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Tribe Fire & Rescue Department (“WMAFRD”), a program of the White Mountain Apache Tribe’s Division of Public Safety, is responsible for providing safe, cost effective fire protection, and rescue services on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, WMAFRD has for several years had a dire financial need to service, upgrade, or replace dilapidated, outmoded, or irreparable, emergency operational, non-emergency operational, and administrative equipment; and

WHEREAS, WMAFRD has determined that funding opportunities to meet those needs are available through the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant which includes a 5% cost share per population below 20,000 residence that would equal 5% per \$100,000.00 (average award); and

WHEREAS, WMAFRD can meet this cost-share requirement by and through funds provided in its Fiscal Year 2020 Budget; and

WHEREAS, WMAFRD, this day, requests that Council approve its application for the 2020 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant; and

WHEREAS, The Council has reviewed WMAFD’s request, and finds that approving it will help the Tribe funds vital emergency services, and is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that:

1. The White Mountain Apache Tribe Fire & Rescue Department is hereby authorized and instructed to make a complete and timely submission of an application for the FEMA 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (“AFG”) as described herein.

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2. In the event that the AFG is received, the Treasurer and The White Mountain Apache Tribe Fire & Rescue Department shall prepare a budget for receipts and expenditures of said, subject to terms and conditions of the grant and with review by the Tribe's Legal Department.

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 Chairwoman, or in her absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

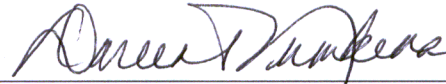
The foregoing resolution was on **MARCH 4, 2020** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** for, **ZERO** against, and **TWO** abstentions by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, 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, Chairwoman

3/6/2020

Date



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

3/9/2020

Date