



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing Burial of Non-Tribal Member Dennis Smith on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation)

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council has been advised that Dennis Smith, a non-member spouse of Tribal member Luanna K. Smith (Kessay), who resided on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation for over 40 years has passed away, and that his family desires for him to be buried on the Reservation at Golden Gulch Cemetery in Diamond Creek; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council finds that the request provided herein is consistent with the culture and tradition of White Mountain Apache Tribe, who extends their sympathy to the Smith and Kessay families.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby grants permission to the family to arrange the burial of Dennis Smith at Golden Gulch Cemetery in Northfork, AZ on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

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 24, 2021 duly adopted by a vote of 9 for, 0 against, and 1 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
Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman

3-24-21
Date

Doreen T. Numkena
Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

3-24-21
Date