



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing ID HERD to Purchase Items for ID RANCH, a Tribally Controlled Enterprise of the WMAT)

- WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(a) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power, “To represent the Tribe and to act in all matters that represent the welfare of the Tribe...; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe has received funding from the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Security ACT of 2020 (“CARES” Act) to assist in mitigating and responding to the threat of Covid-19; and
- WHEREAS,** ID HERD, the Tribe’s beef herd, has been instrumental in helping the Tribe during its fights against Covid-19 pandemic; and
- WHEREAS,** Decades of modeling pandemics predicted potential consequences, but COVID-19’s impact on the food supply chain, and specifically livestock production, was unexpected. As the Tribe instituted mandatory lockdowns, cattle were left unattended and some mortalities occurred; and
- WHEREAS,** Cattle carcass disposal is associated with potential biosecurity risks and detrimental effects on the environment; and
- WHEREAS,** This is a welfare issue affecting human, animal, and the environmental welfare of the Apache people, and highlights the fragility of livestock systems; and
- WHEREAS,** ID HERD has requested assistance to improve management procedures, services, and equipment to stabilize and protect the Tribe’s beef supply and resources; and
- WHEREAS,** This assistance will ensure that food production systems like the Tribe’s livestock herd are resilient and flexible in the face of future pandemic-related challenges; and
- WHEREAS,** As the Tribe contends with the COVID-19 pandemic, it is critical that the Apache people, whose rely upon beef as a food staple, to have equal access to sufficient food and nutrition; and

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WHEREAS, The Council has an interest in protecting its food security, including its livestock herd, and finds that providing the requested assistance will contribute to the Tribe's food supply and stability of necessary animal herds.



BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes purchase of the items listed in the attached spreadsheet for the purposes of running ID HERD from CARES ACT funding and to reimburse expenses incurred by the Manager of the ID HERD, as appropriate, as determined by the Treasurer.

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 MAY 11, 2021 duly adopted by a vote of NINE for, ZERO against, and ONE 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).

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Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman Date Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary Date