



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

## A Sovereign Tribal Nation

### **(Temporarily Authorizing Navajo County Sheriff's Office to Render Emergency Assistance with Locating and Apprehending a Shooting Suspect on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation)**

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**WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(b) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power, "To negotiate, make and perform contracts and agreements of every description, not inconsistent with Federal law or this constitution, with any... municipality or any county, or with the State of Arizona or the United States, including agreements with the State of Arizona for rendition of public services"; and

**WHEREAS,** There was a recent shooting in the community of Cibecue, for which the suspect Javid Rope is at-large; and

**WHEREAS,** White Mountain Apache Police Department ("WMAPD") has made a request to the Navajo County Sheriff's Office for assistance with the search for and apprehension of the suspect; and

**WHEREAS,** The Navajo County Sheriff's Office requires a letter signed by the Tribe's Chief of Police and Chairwoman granting temporary authority to the Sheriff's Office staff to exercise law enforcement authority on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS,** The Council has considered the request by WMAPD and finds that authorizing this grant of authority will help ensure the safety of the community of Cibecue, 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 the Tribe hereby temporarily authorizes the Navajo County Sheriff's Office and its personnel to render emergency assistance with locating and apprehending shooting suspect Javid Rope on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes Chief Shaw of the WMAPD to sign the requisite letter.

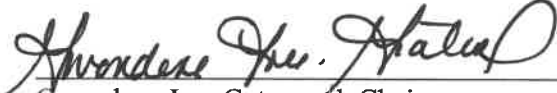

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed null and void and have no legal effect.

***Resolution No. 10-2021-213***

**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 OCTOBER 11, 2021 duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT 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).

	<u>10.11.21</u>		<u>10-11-2021</u>
Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman	Date	Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary	Date