



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

## A Sovereign Tribal Nation

### (Authorizing the Tribe's Planning Department to Pursue the EJ4Climate: Environmental Justice and Climate Resilience Grant)

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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(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 Tribe has directed the Tribal Planning Department to locate and seek after grant opportunities; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribe's consultant has located several potential opportunities, and this day, presented them to the Council for their direction and approval; and

**WHEREAS,** Among the grant opportunities presented is the Environmental Justice and Climate Resilience Grant Program, offered by the Commission for Environmental Cooperation, which is offering a grant of up to \$200,000.00 with no Tribal match requirement; and

**WHEREAS,** The Council has reviewed this grant opportunity and finds that authorizing the Planning Department to pursue it 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 it hereby authorizes and instructs the Planning Department to make a complete and timely submission for the Commission for Environmental Cooperation's Environmental Justice and Climate Resilience Grant Program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that the grant is awarded to the Tribe, the Planning Department is authorized to accept it and shall work with the Finance Department to develop a budget for receipts and expenditures thereof.

**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.

**Resolution No. 11-2021-250**

The foregoing resolution was on NOVEMBER 10 , 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).



Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman

11/15/2021

Date



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

11-15-2021  
Date