



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (Accepting Technical Resignation of Kasey Velasquez from his District VI Seat to Permit Appointment of a Replacement)

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**WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article VII, Section 2 that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall fill vacancies on the Council caused by removal or resignation “...by a majority vote of the Council.”

**WHEREAS,** District IV Councilman Kasey Velasquez was elected as Tribal Chairman and took office on May 4, 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** In order for Council appoint a replacement, Chairman Velasquez must first resign his District IV council seat; and

**WHEREAS,** Chairman Velasquez did, this day, verbally submit his resignation from his District IV seat, for this technical reason; and

**WHEREAS,** Council finds that accepting Chairman Velasquez’s resignation from his District IV seat to allow for appointment of a replacement is constitutionally mandated, 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 Council hereby accepts the technical resignation of Chairman Kasey Velasquez from his District IV Council seat, so that it may fulfil the constitutional mandate to appoint a replacement for the remainder of his Council District IV term.

**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. 05-2022-103**

The foregoing resolution was on MAY 6, 2022 duly adopted by a vote of ELEVEN 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>Kasey Velasquez</u>	<u>5.9.2022</u>	<u>Janeysa Johnson</u>	<u>5/9/2022</u>
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman	Date	Janeysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary	Date