



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Closing Forestdale Livestock Association Grazing Lands to All Large Gatherings Indefinitely)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Constitution”) provides, at Article IV, Section 1(a) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power “[t]o represent the tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe, and to make decision not inconsistent with or contrary to this constitution”; and

WHEREAS, By virtue of the authority provided to it by Article IV, Section 1(r) of the Constitution, the Council granted a charter (the “Charter”) to the Forestdale Livestock Association; and

WHEREAS, The Charter authorizes the Forestdale Livestock Association to exercise the functions of a livestock association as provided in the Articles of Association and Bylaws, to wit:

- a.) To hold, graze, breed, manage, control and sell livestock belonging to it and its members’ owners in every way advantageous to that association representing owners collectively...
- d.) “To acquire, hold and dispose of property necessary for the conduct of the business of the association.”; and

WHEREAS, The Forestdale Livestock Association, this day, requests that the Council close Hay Stack, 2 Mile Spring (North of McNary) and all other Forestdale Livestock Association grazing lands to Sunrise Dances, and any and all traditional ceremonies indefinitely because of the litter, exposed post holes, and destroyed vegetation have negatively affected the local livestock by cutting off areas to graze and reproduce and increasing their risk of injury; and

WHEREAS, This closure will allow for a positive impact on Forestdale livestock allowing said grazing lands to replenish from damages caused by littering and vehicular traffic. Which in term the Forestdale Livestock Association is hoping to see an increase in cattle reproducing by having access to these grazing lands without any disturbances.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby closes Hay Stack, 2 Mile Spring (North of McNary) and all other Forestdale Livestock Association grazing lands to all large gatherings indefinitely.

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. 06-2022-161

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.

The foregoing resolution was on JUNE 1, 2022 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).

<u>Kasey B. Velasquez</u>	<u>6/17/22</u>	<u>Vaneyssa Johnson</u>	<u>6/7/2022</u>
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman	Date	Vaneyssa Johnson, Tribal Secretary	Date