



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Directing the Tribe's Finance Department to Identify \$27,000,000.00 in Tribal Funds to be Utilized for Design and Construction of Three New Head Start Centers; Purchase of Two New Buses and Four Vans for Head Start)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(k) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power, "To appropriate Tribal funds for Tribal purposes and to expend such in accordance with an annual budget"; and

WHEREAS, The Tribe's three Head Start facilities in Whiteriver, McNary and Cibecue are in severely dilapidated conditions; and

WHEREAS, Head Start has consistently sought federal funding for replacement facilities, but such funding has not yet been provided or is unavailable; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that acting unilaterally, at this time, to appropriate \$27,000,00.00 of Tribal funds to complete these projects will provide necessary educational facilities for the Tribe's students, 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's Finance Department and Tribal Treasurer are hereby directed to identify \$27,000,000.00 in Tribal funds to be used for the design and construction of new Head Start Centers in Whiteriver, Cibecue and McNary; and for the purchase of two new buses and four new vans for Head Start.

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.

The foregoing resolution was on JANUARY 18, 2023 duly adopted by a vote of ELEVEN for, ZERO against, and ZERO abstentions by the Tribal Council of

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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 November 10, 2021, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Kasey Velasquez 8-3-2023

Kasey Velasquez, Chairman
White Mountain Apache Tribe

Date

Vaneysa Johnson 8/3/2023

Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary Date