



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing an Application by Ndee Bikiyaa for the Administration for Native Americans Language Grant)

- WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Reservation”) 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”, in Section 1(i) “[t]o manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe”, and in Section 1(j) “[t]o accept grants and donations from any person, state, or the United States”; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council has declared development of Ndee Bikiyaa, Tribal Farm, and partners for language preservation efforts as a high priority and have determined it to be beneficial and productive; and
- WHEREAS,** Funding assistance is needed by Ndee Bikiyaa for salaries, benefits, supplies, consultants, and other needs to incorporate language preservation into farm programs; and
- WHEREAS,** The Administration for Native Americans has announced availability of a grant up to \$400,000 per year for 3 years that support language preservation projects in Native communities, for which the Tribal Farm is eligible; and
- WHEREAS,** The ANA grant requires a 25% cost share contribution and Ndee Bikiyaa is able and willing to provide that funding; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council has reviewed Ndee Bikiyaa’s request, and finds that authorizing the Tribal Farm to apply for the ANA grant funding before the March 31, 2023, deadline is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members; and
- WHEREAS,** Given the urgency of the situation, the Tribal Council further finds that this needs to be considered and made outside of its regularly scheduled meeting; and
- WHEREAS,** The Council further finds that: (1) this Resolution may be voted upon by signature of a member of the Tribal Council where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution; (2) the Tribal Council Secretary should attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally; (3) no signature means that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, and; (4) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

Resolution No. 03-2023-66

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the submission of a FY 2023 grant application, in the amount up to \$400,000 per year for 3 years, for the Administration for Native Americans Language Grant to assist Ndee Bikiyaa programs.

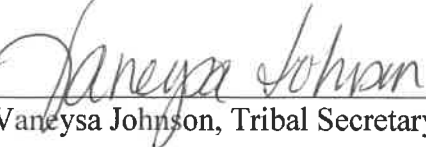
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that given the urgency of the request described herein, this Resolution may be voted upon as follows: (a) by signature of a member of the Tribal Council, including the Chairman of the Tribal Council and the Vice-Chairman of the Tribal Council, where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (b) the Tribal Council Secretary shall attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally, (c) no signature shall mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, (d) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature, and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

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 MARCH 29, 2023 duly adopted by a vote of 6 for, 0 against, and 0 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 November 10, 2021, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

 3/29/2023  3/29/2023
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman Date Vaneyssa Johnson, Tribal Secretary Date

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Signatures of the members of the Tribal Council represent their approval of Tribal Council Resolution Initiated the 29 th day of March, 2023.

Presented Personally by Tribal Council Secretary (TCS)-Indicated by Initials

_____ TCS Initials
Kasey Velasquez
Tribal Chairman
Date Signed

_____ TCS Initials
Jerome Kasey, III
Vice Chairman
Date Signed

_____ TCS Initials
Arnold Beach, Sr.
District I Council Member
Date Signed

_____ TCS Initials
Travis J. Tessay, Sr.
District I Council Member
29-March-2023
Date Signed *ij*

_____ TCS Initials
Jerold Altaha
District II Council Member
Date Signed

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Renaldo Dazen
District II Council Member
28 March 2023
Date Signed *ij*

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Aubrey Aday, Sr.
District III Council Member
29 March 2023
Date Signed *ij*

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Annette Tenijieth.
District III Council Member
3-28-23
Date Signed *ij*

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Gary Alchesay
District IV Council Member
Date Signed

_____ TCS Initials
Mariddie Craig
District IV Council Member
03-29-2023
Date Signed *ij*

_____ TCS Initials
Verna Westover
District IV Council Member
3/28/2023
Date Signed *ij*

ATTEST:

Vanessa Johnson
Vanessa Johnson, Tribal Council Secretary

3/29/2023
Date Signed