



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (Authorizing Purchase of All Terrain Mobility Scooter for Homer Beatty in Recognition of his Lifetime of Service to the Tribe)

**WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(a) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power, “To represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe...”; and

**WHEREAS,** Cibecue elder, Tribal member and US Army Korean War veteran Homer Beatty has spent his life working on behalf of the Tribe and its members, serving as District I Tribal Council member for 12 years, from 1960 to 1972; and

**WHEREAS,** Because of his great cultural and historical knowledge, Mr. Beatty has been designated as an “Arizona Indian Living Treasure”, an honor bestowed upon elders who have demonstrated a lifetime achievement in preserving their language, culture and tradition; and

**WHEREAS,** Being 94 years of age, Mr. Beatty requires the usage of a mobility scooter. His current scooter has stopped working and needs to be replaced. However, he and his family’s limited resources do not permit them to replace his scooter, at this time, which will cost between \$2,000.00 and \$4,000.00; and

**WHEREAS,** Council finds that appropriating the needed funds to purchase Mr. Homer Beatty a new mobility scooter is an appropriate token of gratitude and recognition, 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 it hereby approves the purchase of a new mobility scooter for District I elder, veteran, Arizona Indian Living Treasure, and former Tribal Councilmember Homer Beatty.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribal Treasurer shall work with the Beatty family to locate a suitable scooter and issue payment for the same.

**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. 06-2023-152**

**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 7, 2023** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** for, **ZERO** against, and **TWO** 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).

<u>Kasey Velasquez</u>	<u>June 9, 2023</u>	<u>Vaneysa Johnson</u>	<u>06/12/2023</u>
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman	Date	Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary	Date