



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Certification of 2024 Election Candidates for Tribal Council)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides at Article VI, Section 1, that “Regular elections for Council Members shall be held every two years”; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Election Commission has on this date presented to the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe its Certification of Candidates, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, for those candidates who under the standards established in the Tribal Constitution and Tribal Election Code are qualified to be nominated for office in the upcoming primary and general elections; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Constitution and the Election Code require that the Tribal Council certify and declare that candidates have been regularly nominated and that each is a candidate as indicated in the nomination petitions; and

WHEREAS, the Election Commission advises that each individual listed meets the criteria set forth in the Election Code and Tribal Constitution and therefore is qualified to be regularly nominated by the Tribal Council as a candidate for the office sought.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that pursuant to the Election Code and the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, it hereby declares the following individuals as regularly nominated as candidates for the Tribal Council offices set forth below:

DISTRICT I

Tony F. Alsenay
Arnold Beach, Sr.

DISTRICT II

Elva C. Lomayaktewa
Rubert M. Lupe, Sr.

DISTRICT III

Aubrey Aday, Sr.
Ivan Walker, Jr.

DISTRICT IV

Colbert G. Burnette
Cairo M. Clay

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that because only two candidates from each district have qualified for the ballot, pursuant to Section 5.1C of the Election Code, no primary election shall be held.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Tribal Council Secretary to post the names of all certified candidates as listed herein in a public place at least ten (10) days prior to the Primary Election and General Election, consistent with Section 4.10 of the Election Code.

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. 01-2024-017

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 16, 2024** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** for, **THREE** 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 November 10, 2021, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Kasey Velasquez 1.17.2024
Kasey Velasquez, Tribal Chairman Date

Vaneysa Johnson 01/17/2024
Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary Date