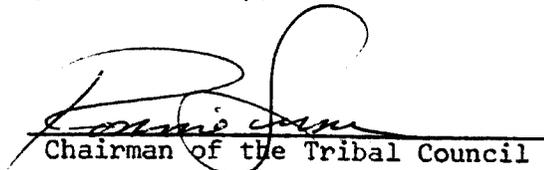


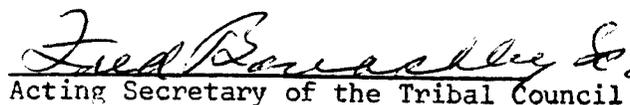
RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe now has a small irrigation project in existence, consisting of 2,885 acres, and
- WHEREAS, there exists a potential expansion of this project of 3,200 acres contained in an existing feasibility report, with further potential of several thousand more acres that can be developed for irrigation, and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe owns lands which produce large quantities of water suitable for irrigation, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe should make beneficial use of the waters arising on or flowing through the reservation under rights contained in the Winters Doctrine, and
- WHEREAS, there is chronic unemployment among members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and development of the total irrigation project will provide an economic base and a livelihood for many Tribal Members,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the White Mountain Apache Tribe encourages the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Congress to assist not only this Tribe, but all Indian Tribes, with the full and complete development of their irrigable lands so as to not only provide a better way of life and a higher standard of living, but also to assist all tribes with the assertion of their Winters Doctrine water rights.

The foregoing resolution was on December 8, 1966 duly adopted by a vote of 7 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).


Chairman of the Tribal Council


Acting Secretary of the Tribal Council

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