

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

WHEREAS, the Tribe has been in litigation with the Salt River Water Users for approximately ten years, and

WHEREAS, the final adjudication of water rights is the crux of the lawsuit, and

WHEREAS, not only the White Mountain Apache Tribe's, but the San Carlos Apache Tribe's, the Gila River Indian Community's and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's water rights will be affected, and

WHEREAS, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community is to budget \$4,000.00, the San Carlos Apache Tribe, \$3,000.00 and the Gila River Indian Community, \$3,000.00 to defray the cost of expenses and attorneys' fees to assist in the defense of any litigation against said tribes, and

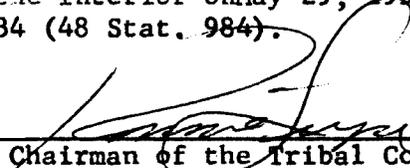
WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe, if the decision is adverse to it, would stand to lose one of its most valuable assets.

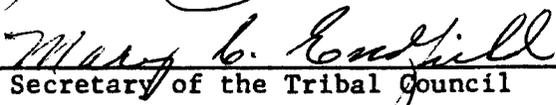
BE IT RESOLVED that there is hereby appropriated from tribal funds on deposit with the United States the sum of \$10,000.00 to assist in the defense of contemplated lawsuit with the Salt River Water Users, which lawsuit in effect is an attempt by the Salt River Water Users to enlarge the Kent Decree thus depriving the White Mountain Apaches of its water rights.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Chairman of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the Governor of the Gila River Indian Community to deposit the said sum of \$10,000.00 which will be deposited into a special fund provided that the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community deposit \$4,000.00, the San Carlos Apache Tribe, \$3,000.00 and the Gila River Indian Community, \$3,000.00 in said fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that before any sums are paid from said deposit, the Tribal Chairman, the Administrative Manager and the Tribal Attorney must approve said disbursements.

The foregoing resolution was on May 3, 1967 duly adopted by a vote of 10 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 (b) and (k) 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

  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

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