

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

- WHEREAS, House Bill 41 and Senate Bill 140 is being considered by the 30th Legislator of the State of Arizona, and
- WHEREAS, we consider these Proposed Bills to be a detrimental effect to Indian Progress in the Great State of Arizona, and
- WHEREAS, we consider these Proposed Bills to be contrary to the Enabling Act of 1912, and
- WHEREAS, these Bills are discriminating against Indian Lands by placing a tax burden upon said lands and interest in said lands, and
- WHEREAS, improvements now upon Indian lands are taxed by the State of Arizona and penalizing the Indian on further development of their Resource, and
- WHEREAS, we consider the current taxes assessed to be a burden upon our resource development and also illegal, and
- WHEREAS, we consider the proposed Leasehold Tax to be another illegal action against Indian Lands and Indian Progress, and
- WHEREAS, our current Tribal Income is spent furnishing many services to our people that are normally furnished by taxes collected by City, County, and State, and
- WHEREAS, when the Hearing is held on House Bill 41 and Senate Bill 140 we wish to be notified as to the Time, Place, and Date so that we may express to the Committees the true story of the jeopardy to Indian Progress by these two (2) Bills, and
- WHEREAS, as being citizens of the Great State of Arizona this cannot be denied us without serious discrimination, and
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that House Bill 41 and Senate Bill 140 not be enacted in the 30th Legislative Session of the State of Arizona or hereafter,
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the White Mountain Apache Tribe plead with each Senator and Representative and the Governor of the Great State of Arizona to individually assist us in defeating these two (2) Bills that will be detrimental to our Social and Economic Programs of improvement we have developed for self-improvement through our Human and Economic Resources.

The foregoing resolution was on March 3, 1971 duly adopted by a vote of 10 for (0) Zero against and (0) Zero abstaining by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (o) 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)

Tom Bauschley Jr.
Chairman of the Tribal Council

West Anderson
Vice-Chairman of the Tribal Council

