



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Authorizing a Request for Proposal for Contractor to Implement the Build-out of the Tribal Broadband Project)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section 1(i) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power, "To manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe including...any other Tribal activities", and in Article IV, Section 1(k) "To appropriate Tribal funds for Tribal purposes..."; and

WHEREAS, The Tribe received funding from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration ("NTIA") Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program ("TBCP") to deploy infrastructure on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 11-2023-245 and Resolution 02-2024-042 authorized the Tribe's attorneys, in coordination with David Fish, to prepare a Request for Proposals to coordinate and direct implementation of the Tribe's Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program grant; and

WHEREAS, The Council finds it in the best interests of the Tribe to advertise and Request for Proposals for a Tribal Broadband Project Contractor to build-out and carry out the work under the NTIA TBCP grant.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe hereby authorizes the advertisement of position and Request for Proposals for a Tribal Broadband Project Contractor to be coordinated by the Tribe's attorneys and the White Mountain Apache Tribe Director of Information Technology, David Fish.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe 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.

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 MAY 8, 2024 duly adopted by a vote of NINE 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).

Kasey Velasquez
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman

11.26.24
Date

Vaneysa Johnson
Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary

12/02/2024
Date