SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBE SAN CARLOS APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION SAN CARLOS, ARIZONA

RESOLUTION

No: AP-11-100

- WHEREAS, the San Carlos Apache Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 stat., 984); and,
- WHEREAS, the San Carlos Apache Tribe recognizes our inherent sovereignty to responsibility as protectors of past, present, and future Apache generations and that the role of cultural resources, language, and elements of the natural world (i.e. air, water, animals, plants) are significant to the existence and the spirituality of the Apache and,
- WHEREAS, the San Carlos Apache Tribe recognizes, values, and utilizes, traditional Apache resources both on and off the reservation and is committed to protecting the spiritual and traditional resources in and around Chich'il Bildagoteel (Oak Flat), which lies in the heart of T'is Tseban Country. The Oak Flat region is bounded in the east by Gan Bikoh ("the Crowndancers Canyon" Devils Canyon) in the north by Gan Daszin ("Crowndancer Standing" Queen Creek Canyon), and
- WHEREAS, Tribal, State, and Federal laws, such as the San Carlos Apache Tribal Ordinance 76-1 Section 36, Tribal Codes, Arizona Revised Statues 41-846 and 41-864, the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the Archeaological Resources Protection Act (ARPA), the Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the American Indian Religious Freedom Act (AIRFA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and Executive Order 13007, Protection of Indian Sacred Sites, were created to protect and preserve cultural and historic past, present, and future history of the Indeh (Apache), and
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the San Carlos Apache Tribe reaffirms its opposition against the Southeast Land Exchange.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the Indeh (Apache) reaffirms its opposition to large-scale mining proposed by Rio Tinto's Resolution Mining Company in the Oak Flat vicinity, and still strongly opposes the land exchange with the United States Forest Service enabling this operation.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the San Carlos Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of Eleven (11) members of whom Ten (10), constituting a quorum, were at the Special Council Meeting hereto held on the 19th day of April 2011, and that the foregoing Resolution No:AP-11-100 was duly adopted by a vote of 8 FOR; 0 OPPOSED; 0 ABSTAINED; of the Tribal Council pursuant to Article V, Section 1(a) of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the San Carlos Apache Tribe effective February 24, 1954.

Katrina Talkalai, Tribal Secretary
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