

RESOLUTION
OF THE
PAPAGO COUNCIL

RES. NO. 1017

WHEREAS, the Papago Agency has informed the Tribal Council that it has no more funds to service and repair range water facilities on the Reservation, and it has also informed the Tribe that within the next week or two these services will cease and the Tribe will have to take care of the stock water supply by itself, and

WHEREAS, the Agency has taken this step because the Tribal Council has not passed a Range Ordinance and is using as the principal basis of its action Resolution No. 723, of October 16, 1953, a copy of which is attached, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has called to the attention of the Agency that it has not received the education and training promised and which is necessary for Tribal members to understand what the Range Ordinance is about and how to administer it, and therefore feels it should not be required to pass an Ordinance of such importance until it is thoroughly understood and there is likelihood that it can be put into operation successfully, and

WHEREAS, at this time the Tribe is unable to take over the maintenance of stock water facilities, having no trained people to do it, or the money necessary to secure such personnel and the equipment required, and

WHEREAS, to be deprived of water under these circumstances will work great physical hardship on the Papago people and may have serious effects on their health because they are dependent on these wells for domestic water supply, and it will also work great hardship on the Papago economy, as the stock will suffer if unable to get needed water, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that it is not the intention of the Agency to injure the Papago people in its efforts to get a Range Ordinance passed on the Reservation, but believes this will inevitably happen if the water supply fails, and

WHEREAS, The Council has been informed that the Commissioner probably doesn't know what is happening on the Papago Reservation in regard to the Range Ordinance;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED by the Papago Tribal Council that the Commissioner be notified of this situation and that he be requested to continue to make the funds available that are needed to maintain the water supplies on the Papago Reservation so that the Tribal Council can further consider the Range Ordinance and the Agency can do the educational work with the people which is needed before the Range Ordinance is acted on.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that because of the urgency of the matter, the Superintendent of the Papago Agency and the Area Office in Phoenix be respectfully requested to forward this Resolution promptly to the Commissioner for his consideration

The foregoing Resolution was on September 5, 1958, duly enacted by a vote of 20 for and 0 against, by the Papago Council, during a meeting at which a quorum was present, pursuant to authority vested in it by Section 3 (a) and (h) of Article V of the Constitution of the Tribe ratified by the Tribe on December 12, 1936 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on January 6, 1937, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984). Said resolution is effective as of the date of its approval by the Superintendent of the Papago Agency and is subject to the rescission by the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to Section 3 (a) and (h) of Article V of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Papago Tribe.

THE PAPAGO COUNCIL

BY:

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ATTEST:

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APPROVED: _____

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