

RESOLUTION OF THE PAPAGO COUNCIL

RES. NO, 53-23

WHEREAS: The food price conditions on the Papago R^Ereservation have not improved in the past year; and

WHEREAS: The largest trading post on the Papago Reservation has recently been destroyed by fire; and

WHEREAS: National freezes and trends have raised reservation food prices and have made meat almost impossible to obtain at reservation trading posts; and

WHEREAS: A year ago the various Papago districts did decide that Food Stamps were not workable here given the high prices, limited inventories and the problems of transportation and did decide that the only workable food assistance plan was the Commodity Program; and

WHEREAS: The Papago Tribe has established an effective commodity distribution program and has expanded much local time, money and effort in establishing this program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

The Papago Council members will consult again with their district people as to which programs, commodities or Food Stamps the people prefer;

The Council does believe the people will still find Food Stamps to be an unworkable system at this point;

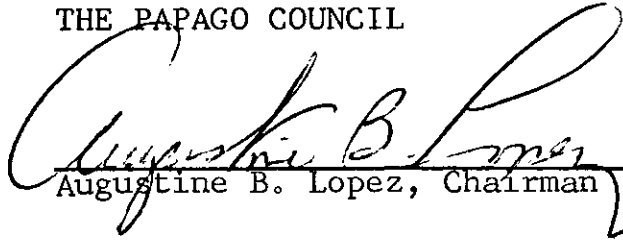
The Council does direct the Chairman and his assistants to initiate an appeal to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture for permission to continue the Commodity Program on Papago and to carry such appeal to other appropriate federal officers, subject to final review and decision at the earliest possible time following consultation with all of the Papago People.

The foregoing Resolution was duly enacted by the Papago Council on September 24, 1973 at a meeting of which a quorum was present with a vote of 18 for, -0- against, 2 not voting, and 2 absent, pursuant to authority vested in the Papago Council by Section 2 (a) of Article V, of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Papago Tribe of Arizona ratified by the Papago Tribe on December 12, 1936 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on January 6, 1937 (48 Stat. 984) pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934.

Said Resolution is effective as of the date of its approval by the Superintendent of the Papago Agency and is not subject to review by the Secretary of the Interior.

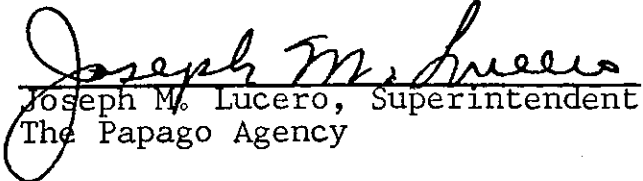
THE PAPAGO COUNCIL

ATTEST:


Augustine B. Lopez, Chairman


Betsy J. Norris, Secretary

APPROVED:


Joseph M. Lucero, Superintendent
The Papago Agency

DATE: NOV - 9 1973

