

RESOLUTION OF THE PAPAGO COUNCIL

RES. NO. 37-75a

1 WHEREAS, the Papago Tribe, the Papago Council and the Papago Edu-
2 cation Committee are disturbed and concerned with the establishment
3 of the Bureau of Indian Affairs permanent personnel ceiling which
4 required a severe reduction of permanent Bureau positions in this
5 area that will critically affect the education program of the Papa-
6 go Tribe; and

7 WHEREAS, the Papago Tribe has students enrolled in the off-reser-
8 vation Boarding schools in the Phoenix area; and

9 WHEREAS, unless the Bureau personnel ceilings are increased suf-
10 ficiently to enable the hiring of sufficient teachers and staff
11 members for the off-reservation boarding schools in the Phoenix
12 area, it will be mandatory that the number of students attending
13 said schools drastically reduced and/or certain off-Reservation
14 boarding school in the Phoenix area will be non-operational for
15 the 1975-76 school term; and

16 WHEREAS, to enable the proper hiring of qualified teachers and
17 staff, the Bureau personnel ceiling must be raised immediately so
18 that the Bureau will be able to compete with the State of Arizona's
19 hiring of teachers for schools in the State of Arizona; and

20 WHEREAS, unless this is accomplished many Papago students will not
21 receive an adequate basic education that was promised to them by
22 the United States Congress; and

23 WHEREAS, when Congress allocated the funds for the construction
24 of the off-Reservation boarding schools within the Phoenix area,
25 it was clearly their intention that sufficient teachers and staff
26 members would be available to keep these schools operational.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Papago Council hereby au-
28 thorizes the Chairman of the Papago Tribe and all other necessary
29 personnel selected by him to take whatever steps are necessary to
30 accomplish the necessary changes in the Bureau of Indian Affairs
31 permanent personnel ceiling policy so that the necessary teachers a
32 and staff members can be hired at the earliest possible moment in

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4 order that the off-Reservation boarding schools will be fully oper-
5 ational for the 1975-76 school year.

6 The foregoing Resolution was duly enacted by the Papago Council on
7 the 13th day of June, 1975, at a meeting at which a quorum was pre-
8 sent with a vote of 22 for, 0 against, 0 not voting and 0 absent;
9 pursuant to authority vested in the Papago Council by Sec. 2(a) (d)
10 of Article V of the Constitution and By-laws of the Papago Tribe of
11 Arizona ratified by the Tribe on December 12, 1936, and approved
12 by the Secretary of the Interior on January 6, 1937 (48 Stat. 984)
13 pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934. Said Resolution
14 is effective as of the date of its approval by the Superintendent
15 of the Papago Agency and is not subject to review by the Secretary
16 of the Interior.

12 THE PAPAGO COUNCIL

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14 Cecil Williams
Cecil Williams, Chairman

15 ATTEST:

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17 William D. Smith
Secretary

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20 Joseph M. Suarez
Superintendent, Papago Agency

APPROVED: June 16, 1975

