

MESCALERO PACIA TRIBE

Mark R. Chino, President

Mescalero, New Mexico 88340

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June 27, 2007

The Honorable Wendsler Nosie, Sr., Chairman The San Carlos Apache Tribe P.O. Box O San Carlos Avenue San Carlos, Arizona 85550

Dear Chairman Nosie:

Enclosed please find a copy of Resolution # 07-54, which was passed by the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council on June 25, 2007.

The Resolution expresses the opposition of the Mescalero Apache Tribe to the land exchange proposed by Resolution Copper Mining, LLC.

We hope this Resolution will strengthen the opposition to this land exchange.

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Sincerely.

Frederick Peso

Secretary Pro Tepr of the Tribal Council

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MESCALERO APACHE TRIBE MESCALERO, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. <u>07-54</u>

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribe, an Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, (25 U.S.C. § 476) and under its Revised Constitution, has full power to act for the Tribe and

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council has the power to act for the Tribe, and to represent the Tribe in all matters under powers vested in it by Article XI, of the Revised Constitution of the Mescalero Apache Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribe has a vested interested in protecting all sites that are sacred and holy to the Apache people; and

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribe supports the sovereignty of its sister Apache tribes, including the San Carlos Apache Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Resolution Copper Mining, LLC has applied to the federal government for a land exchange in preparation for commencing mining operations in areas that are sacred to the Apache People, including Apache Leap, a site of great historical significance; and

WHEREAS, the Mescalero Apache Tribe opposes this land exchange.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mescalero Apache Tribe strongly urges the federal government to deny the requested land exchange.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the President of the Tribe be and hereby is authorized to take any and all further steps necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

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RESOLUTION 07--54

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing enactment of the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council is duly adopted and approved on the 25th day of June 2007, at legally called session of the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council, by a vote of 6 for and 0 against, with 0 abstaining at which quorum was present and at which a majority of the members voted in favor thereof. This enactment is approved by the President of the Mescalero Apache Tribe under authority of Article XII, Section 1, of the Revised Constitution.

Frederick Peso, Pro

Mark R. Chino, President