ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

YAVAPAI-PREScott COMMUNITY
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA

PREAMBLE

We, the undersigned Yavapai Indians, all of whom are members of the Yavapai-Prescott Community and whose names appear on the Yavapai Census Rolls, do hereby voluntarily join together in order to establish a legal community organization for exercising certain powers which will promote the common welfare of our membership, and do hereby adopt these Articles of Association.

ARTICLE I - TERRITORY

The territory of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association shall be confined to the Yavapai Reservation as set forth in the Act of June 7, 1935 providing for approximately 75 acres, and Act of May 18, 1956, providing for approximately 1,320 acres for a total of approximately 1,395 acres, and such other territory as may be hereafter added by the Association or added thereto by any law of the United States.

ARTICLE II - NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The name of the organization shall be the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association shall consist of:

(a) All Yavapai Indians whose names appear on the official census roll compiled as of June 1, 1960, and whose names are attached hereto as a part of these Articles of Association; provided such persons are not enrolled as members of some other tribe, band, or community of Indians; and provided further, that within five years from the adoption of these Articles of Association, corrections may be made in the roll by the governing body, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative.

(b) Any child of one-fourth degree or more of Yavapai Indian blood who is born to a member of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association, provided a certified copy of the child's birth certificate is forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association within one year from date of the child's birth.
Section 2. The Board of Directors of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association shall have the power to adopt resolutions, subject to the approval of a majority vote of eligible voters, voting in a regularly called Association meeting, covering the adoption of new members, except that no person shall be adopted into the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association who is a member of some other tribe, band or community of Indians, or who has not resided upon the Reservation for a probationary period of one year, and prior notice has been submitted to the Board of Directors that it is the person's intent to serve the probationary period.

ARTICLE IV - GOVERNING BOARD

Section 1. The governing board of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association shall be the Yavapai Board of Directors of five (5) members, consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer and two other members. Three of such members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2. The membership of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association shall elect from its own membership, at a meeting called for this purpose, by secret ballot, a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and two board members to serve on the Board of Directors, within thirty (30) days after approval of these Articles of Association by the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative. The Superintendent shall be responsible for calling the first meeting and conducting the first election. The Board of Directors elected at this meeting shall serve until the second Friday in July 1964 at which time successors shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. Members of the Board of Directors may succeed themselves.

Section 3. The President, or a majority of the Board of Directors, or twenty-five percent (25%) of the qualified voters may, by written notice, call special meetings of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the qualified voters of the Association shall constitute a quorum at any special or regular meeting.

Section 4. All members of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association who have reached the age of twenty-one (21) years shall be qualified voters at any meeting or election.
ARTICLE V - ELECTIONS

Section 1. The General Meeting of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association for the purpose of electing the Board of Directors shall be held every even year on the second Friday in July. The meeting and voting place shall be on the Yavapai Reservation as designated by the Board of Directors. The Board shall cause notice to be posted of such meeting and election in at least two places on the Yavapai Reservation fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting and election.

Section 2. Special meetings and elections may be called by the Board of Directors for electing a Board Member to fill the unexpired term of a deceased member, a member who has resigned, or removed for other cause, provided that notice of the special meeting and election shall be given as in the case of regular meetings and elections.

Section 3. Nominations for the Board of Directors shall be made from the floor at the General or Special Meeting of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association.

Section 4. The elections shall be by secret ballot. The Board of Directors shall prescribe rules for the casting and canvassing of ballots. They will also prescribe the necessary details of election procedures covering the election of Directors and referendum elections.

ARTICLE VI - POWERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors representing the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association shall exercise the following powers, subject to any limitations imposed by the Constitution or the Statutes of the United States applicable to Indians, and subject further to all expressed restrictions upon such powers contained in these Articles of Association:

(a) To represent the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Association and to make any and all decisions which are consistent with those Articles of Association and the Statutes of the United States.

(b) To acquire, manage, lease, use, contract, assign, encumber, or dispose of all Association assets, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative.
(c) To license non-members to do business on the reservation subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, and not inconsistent with traders' licenses issued by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

(d) To employ legal counsel, the contract, the choice of counsel and fixing of fees to be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative.

(e) Subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, to negotiate with city and county officials on the zoning of Reservation lands.

(f) To prepare a plan for the final distribution of all Association assets and to request legislation which will allow the plans to be carried out in a satisfactory manner.

(g) To negotiate and make contracts, including those with the Federal, State and local governments, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative.

(h) To budget Association funds and manage economic affairs and enterprises in accordance with these Articles of Association.

(i) To regulate its own procedures; to appoint subordinate committees, commissions, and boards; and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes.

(j) The Board of Directors may exercise such additional powers as may be delegated to it by members of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association and may take such actions as are necessary to carry into effect any of its powers and duties.

ARTICLE VII - REVIEW BY THE SECRETARY

Any resolution or ordinance which by the terms of these Articles of Association is subject to review by the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, and shall be presented to the Superintendent in Charge of the Reservation who shall within fifteen (15) days of receipt approve or disapprove same. If the Superintendent in Charge of the Reservation shall approve any ordinance or resolution, it shall become effective, but he shall submit a copy of the same, bearing his endorsement, to the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized
representative, who may, within ninety (90) days from the date of enactment, rescind the said ordinance or resolution for any cause by notifying the Board of Directors of such rescission. If the Secretary shall fail to act within the ninety (90) day period, the ordinance or resolution shall remain in effect as of the date of the Superintendent's approval.

If the Superintendent in Charge of the Reservation shall refuse to approve any resolution or ordinance submitted to him within fifteen (15) days after receipt by him, he shall advise the Directors of his reasons therefor in writing. If those reasons appear insufficient to the Directors, they may by majority vote, refer the ordinance or resolution to the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, who may, within ninety (90) days from the date of its submission to him, approve same in writing, whereupon the said ordinance or resolution shall become effective.

ARTICLE VIII - REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION FROM OFFICE

Section 1. If a member of the Board of Directors fails or refuses to attend two regular meetings in succession, unless excused due to illness or other causes for which he cannot be held responsible, or shall be convicted of a felony or of a misdemeanor involving moral integrity, his office shall be declared forfeited by a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Any Director resigning or taken by death out of office or removed for other cause shall be replaced either by special election or appointment as specified by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These Articles of Association may be amended by a majority vote of qualified voters of the Association voting in an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, provided that at least twenty-five percent (25%) of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election; but no amendment shall become effective until it shall have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, to call an election on any proposed amendment at the request of the Board of Directors, or upon presentation of a petition signed by twenty-five percent (25%) of the qualified voters of the Association.
ARTICLE X - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The President of the Board of Directors shall preside over all meetings of the Directors, and perform all duties of a President and exercise any authority given him specifically by the Directors, or by a general meeting of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association. He shall vote only in case of a tie.

Section 2. The Vice-President in the absence of the President, shall preside, and when so presiding shall have all powers, privileges, duties, and responsibilities of the President. He shall have the power to vote in all meetings except those under his direction. In this case he shall only vote when there is a tie vote.

Section 3. The Secretary-Treasurer shall conduct all Association correspondence and it shall be his duty to submit promptly to the Superintendent in Charge of the Reservation and other appropriate offices of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, copies of all minutes of regular and special meetings of the Directors as well as copies of all resolutions and ordinances adopted by the Directors.

He shall accept, receive, receipt for, preserve and safeguard all funds in the custody of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association, and forward all funds to the Truxton Canon Subagency for deposit in the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association Individual Indian Money Account or designated depository. He shall make and preserve a faithful record of such funds and shall report on all receipts and expenditures and the amount and nature of all funds in his custody, such report being made in writing to the Board of Directors at regular meetings and at such other times as requested by the Board of Directors. He shall not disburse any funds in his custody or custody of the Board of Directors except when properly authorized to do so by resolution duly passed by the Board of Directors. The Secretary-Treasurer as a member of the Board of Directors shall have the power to vote at any meeting.

The books and records of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be audited at least once each year by a competent auditor employed by the Board of Directors and at such other times as the Board of Directors may direct.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall be required to give a bond satisfactory to the Board of Directors and to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Until the Secretary-Treasurer is bonded, the Board of Directors may make such provision for the custody and disbursement of funds as shall guarantee their safety and proper disbursement and use.
Section 4. The Board of Directors may elect to designate a commercial bank as the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association's depository.

ARTICLE XI - QUALIFICATIONS OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Any member of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association shall be qualified to be a candidate for election to the Board of Directors who has reached the age of twenty-five (25) years and who is a resident of the Reservation. Any person having been convicted of a felony, or who within the last year preceding the election was convicted of a crime involving moral integrity shall not be eligible to hold the office of Director. The only crimes involving moral integrity shall be adultery, bribery, embezzlement, extortion, fraud, forgery, misbranding, perjury, and theft.

ARTICLE XII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Section 1. At the first meeting of the Board of Directors following a regular election, the Directors shall see that members have a correct and clear understanding of the Articles of Association, management of Association affairs, and rules for conducting their meetings.

Section 2. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held the second Friday of each month at a place and time specified by the President in an advance notice. In case the regular meeting date falls on a State or National Holiday, the Directors may postpone such regular meeting not to exceed ten (10) days.

Section 3. Special meetings of the Directors may be called by the President, or the President shall call a special meeting when presented a written request signed by three or more Directors.

Section 4. Recognized rules of order shall apply in conducting business at all meetings. The Directors may vote by voice, but at the discretion of the President or upon request by one or more Directors, a secret vote shall be taken.

Section 5. The Board of Directors shall decide all business matters by a majority vote.
ARTICLE XIII - ADOPTION

These Articles of Association, when adopted by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the Yavapai-Prescott Community Association of the Yavapai Reservation, voting at a special election called by the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of those entitled to vote shall vote, shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, for approval, and shall be effective from the date of such approval.
APPROVAL

I, Philleo Nash, Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior of the United States of America, do hereby approve the attached Articles of Association of the Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona.

/s/ Philleo Nash
Commissioner
Bureau of Indian Affairs

Washington, D.C.

Date: December 5, 1962
CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
YAVAPAI-PRESCHOOL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
PRESCHOOL, ARIZONA

Pursuant to the order contained in the Commissioner's letter dated April 13, 1962, ballots for the ratification of the Articles of Association were mailed to thirty (30) qualified voters of the Yavapai Tribe June 7, 1962. Twenty three (23) ballots representing 76% percent of those entitled to vote were returned with 23 voting for to 0 voting against the adoption of The Articles of Association in accordance with the rules prescribed for this election.

Wesley T. Boko
Chairman, Election Board

Eleanor Boka, Member, Election Board

Richard Mitchell, Member, Election Board

APPROVED: JULY 10, 1962
John C. Dickson, Superintendent
AMENDMENT
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
YAVAPAI-PREScott COMMUNITY
PREScott, ARIZONA

AMENDMENT I

Article III, MEMBERSHIP, Section 1(b), shall be amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the sub-section:

The Board of Directors may waive the one-year requirement by majority vote.

CERTIFICATE OF RESULTS OF ELECTION

Pursuant to an election authorized by the Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs on Sept 11, 1970, the foregoing Amendment I to the Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, was submitted to the qualified voters of the community and was on Nov 21, 1970, duly adopted by a vote of 12 for, and 1 against, in an election in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the 2 members entitled to vote cast their ballot.

Chairman, Election Board

Election Board Member

Richard Mitchell
Election Board Member
APPROVAL

I, Ernest L. Stimson, Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs, do hereby approve the attached Amendments I and II to the Articles of Association of the Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona.

[Signature]

Acting Commissioner

Washington, D. C.

Date: Dec 24, 1930
AMENDMENT
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
YAVAPAI-PRESCOTT COMMUNITY
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA

AMENDMENT II

'Article IV, GOVERNING BOARD, shall be amended by adding a new
Section 5 as follows:

Section 5. The hereditary chieftess of the Yavapai-Prescott
Indians shall serve as an alternate member of the Board of
Directors whenever she is needed to ensure the presence of
a quorum. When so serving, she shall have all the duties and
privileges accorded other members of the board, including the
right to vote.
CERTIFICATE OF RESULTS OF ELECTION

Pursuant to an election authorized by the Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs on June 14, 1970, the foregoing Amendment II to the Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, was submitted to the qualified voters of the community and was on November 21, 1970, duly adopted by a vote of 12 for, and 1 against, in an election in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the 20 members entitled to vote cast their ballot.

Chairman, Election Board

Election Board Member

Election Board Member
AMENDMENT
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
YAVAPAI-PRESCOTT ASSOCIATION
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA

AMENDMENT III

Article II, NAME OF ORGANIZATION, shall be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE II-NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The name of the organization shall be the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe.
Certificate of Results of Election

Pursuant to an election called by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on September 26, 1974, as required by Article IX of the Articles of Association, Amendment No. III to the Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, was submitted to the qualified voters of the community, and was on December 21, 1974, duly adopted by a vote of 28 for, rejected and 1 against, in an election in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the 37 entitled to vote cast their ballots in accordance with Article IX of the community's governing document.

Chairman, Election Board

Election Board Member

Election Board Member
APPROVAL

I, Morris Thompson, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, do hereby approve the foregoing Amendment III to the Articles of Association of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe, Prescott, Arizona.

[Signature]
Commissioner of Indian Affairs

Washington, D.C.
Date: APR 23 1975
AMENDMENT
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
YAVAPAII-PRESCOTT COMMUNITY
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA

AMENDMENT IV
Section 4 of Article IV, GOVERNING BOARD, shall be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4. All members of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe who have reached the age of eighteen (18) years shall be qualified voters at any meeting or election.
Certificate of Results of Election

Pursuant to an election called by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on September 26, 1974, as required by Article IX of the Articles of Association, Amendment IV to the Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, was submitted to the qualified voters of the community, and was on adopted December 21, 1974, duly by a vote of 21 for, and 8 against, in an election in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the 37 entitled to vote cast their ballots in accordance with Article IX of the community's governing document.

Chairman, Election Board

Election Board Member

Election Board Member
APPROVAL

I, Morris Thompson, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, do hereby approve the foregoing Amendment IV to the Articles of Association of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe, Prescott, Arizona.

Washington, D.C.

Date: APR 23 1975
Section 1, of Article V, ELECTIONS, shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The general meeting of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe for the purposes of electing the board of directors shall be held every even year on the second Saturday in July. The meeting and voting place shall be on the Yavapai Reservation as designated by the board of directors. The board shall cause notice to be posted of such meeting and election in at least two places on the Yavapai Reservation fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting and election.
Certificate of Results of Election

Pursuant to an election called by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on September 26, 1974, as required by Article IX of the Articles of Association, Amendment V to the Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, was submitted to the qualified voters of the community, and was on adopted December 21, 1974, duly by a vote of 28 for, rejected 1 against, in an election in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the entitled to vote case their ballots in accordance with Article IX of the community's governing document.

Charles Petrie
Chairman, Election Board

Kendocl R. Peet
Election Board Member

Election Board Member
APPROVAL

I, Morris Thompson, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, do hereby approve the foregoing Amendment V to the Articles of Association of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe, Prescott, Arizona.

Washington, D.C.
Date: APR 23 1975
AMENDMENT VI

Section 2 of Article V, ELECTIONS, shall be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. Special meetings and elections may be called by the board of directors for electing a member or officer of the board of directors to fill the unexpired term of such a member or officer whose position on the board is vacant from any cause whatever, though the vacancy may be filled temporarily by an appointee as provided in Section 4 of Article VIII, provided, that notice of such meeting and election shall be given as in the case of regular meetings and elections.
Certificate of Results of Election

Pursuant to an election called by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on September 26, 1974, as required by Article IX of the Articles of Association, Amendment No. VI to the Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, was submitted to the qualified voters of the community, and was on December 21, 1974, duly adopted by a vote of 22 for, rejected and 7 against, in an election in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the 37 entitled to vote cast their ballots in accordance with Article IX of the community's governing document.

Chairman, Election Board

Election Board Member

Election Board Member
APPROVAL

I, Morris Thompson, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, do hereby approve the foregoing Amendment VI to the Articles of Association of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe, Prescott, Arizona.

Morris Thompson
Commissioner of Indian Affairs

Washington, D.D.
Date: APR 23 1975
AMENDMENT
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
YAVAPAI-PRESCOTT COMMUNITY
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA

AMENDMENT VII

Article VIII, REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION FROM OFFICE, shall be amended in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE VIII - VACANCIES

Section 1-General. A vacancy under the provisions of these articles may occur by death, resignation, forfeiture, or removal from office.

Sec. 2-Forfeiture. Any members of the board of directors shall automatically forfeit his position on the board for any of the following reasons:

(a) Failure or refusal to attend two regular meetings without having been excused by the board of directors.

(b) Conviction, while in office, of a felony.

Sec. 3-Removal. Any members of the board of directors may be removed from the office by a majority vote of the board, voting at a validly called meeting, for any cause relating to and affecting the administration of his office.

Removal under this provision may be had in such manner as may be provided by law. The accused member shall be given full and fair opportunity to confront his accusers and reply to any and all charges at a designated tribal board meeting, regular or special, and provided further, that the accused member shall have been given a written statement of the charges against him or her at least fifteen (15) days before the meeting at which the accused member is to appear.
Sec. 4-Filling Vacancies. In the event of a vacancy from any cause whatever, the board of directors may assemble to select a member of the tribe who qualifies for candidacy to the vacant position and appoint him to fill the vacancy; provided, however, that in the case of vacancy in the presidency, the vice-president shall automatically fill such vacancy until the next regularly held presidential election, and the vacancy created thereby in the vice-presidency shall be filled in the same manner as any other vacancy. Any appointments made under this section may be for the duration of the regular term of office of position filled, or in the discretion of the board of directors, may be temporary only, pending a special election held pursuant to Section 2 of Article V. The decision to call an election to fill the vacant office or to fill such position by appointment shall be solely within the discretion of the board of directors.
Certificate of Results of Election

Pursuant to an election called by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on September 26, 1974, as required by Article IX of the Articles of Association, Amendment No. VII to the Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, was submitted to the qualified voters of the community, and was on adopted December 21, 1974, duly by a vote of 28 for, rejected and 1 against, in an election in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the 37 entitled to vote cast their ballots in accordance with Article IX of the community's governing document.

Chairman, Election Board

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Election Board Member

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Election Board Member

[Signature]
APPROVAL

I, __________ Morris Thompson __________, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, do hereby approve the foregoing Amendment VII to the Articles of Association of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe, Prescott, Arizona.

[Signature]
Commissioner of Indian Affairs

Washington, D.C.
Date: APR 23 1975
AMENDMENT
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
YAVAPAI-PRESCOTT COMMUNITY
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA

AMENDMENT VIII

The Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, shall be amended by deleting all references to the words "community" and "community association" and substituting in lieu thereof the word "tribe."
Certificate of Results of Election

Pursuant to an election called by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on September 26, 1974, as required by Article IX of the Articles of Association, Amendment No. VIII to the Articles of Association, Yavapai-Prescott Community, Prescott, Arizona, was submitted to the qualified voters of the community, and was on adopted December 21, 1974, duly by a vote of 27 for, rejected and 2 against, in an election in which at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the 37 entitled to vote cast their ballots in accordance with Article IX of the community's governing document.

Chairman, Election Board

Election Board Member

Election Board Member
APPROVAL

I, Morris Thompson, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, do hereby approve the foregoing Amendment VIII to the Articles of Association of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe, Prescott, Arizona.

Washington, D.C.

Date: APR 23 1975