

Resolution of Support
Greater Arizona Mayors Association

A Resolution of Northern Arizona municipalities, supporting the formation of the Greater Arizona Mayor's Association, established and driven by municipalities in Coconino, Mohave and Yavapai Counties, which seeks to identify, develop, and advocate for common interests, for the greater good, within Arizona's intergovernmental arena

WHEREAS, Northern Arizona communities have strived to provide the highest level of municipal service to its residents and balance the demands of visitors throughout its history; and

WHEREAS, Northern Arizona municipalities are bracing for future population growth, and are in need of resources and authority to maintain its existing service systems, while accommodating the construction of new infrastructure and services; and

WHEREAS, future challenges must be implemented with poise and diligence if the Northern Arizona lifestyle and landscape, so coveted, is to evolve intelligently and successfully; and

WHEREAS, communities within the counties of Coconino, Mohave and Yavapai, understand that by coming together, they create a population base and land mass that is equivalent to the fourth largest community or third largest county in Arizona, which warrants a proper political platform and attention; and

WHEREAS, Greater Arizona Mayor's recognize that together, they may better coordinate, express, and influence outcomes for their community's benefit in Arizona's ever-changing political arena; and

WHEREAS, the merit of Greater Arizona's needs, coupled with tactical messaging, will be communicated to the Governor's Office, the Arizona State Legislature, State Agencies and Congress as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, trading off interests internally, and speaking with one voice externally, enables bi-partisan, strategic positioning that transitions into long-term intergovernmental sophistication, political accountability, and tangible outcomes; and

WHEREAS, actively engaging in intergovernmental activities empowers other regional, and planning organizations, by providing political will otherwise unattainable; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City/Town of _____ strongly believes in the concept of Greater Arizona Mayors Association, and supports its formation by way of its own membership, in anticipation of the Arizona 49th Legislature, Second Regular Session.

Passed and adopted by the City/Town of _____
on this _____ day of _____, 2009.

Mayor