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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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RESOLUTION 2020-71

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COCONINO COUNTY, ARIZONA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT OF RENAMING THE UNINCORPORATED AREA AT THE JUNCTION OF STATE ROUTE 64 AND U.S. HIGHWAY 180 FROM “VALLE” TO “GRAND CANYON JUNCTION”

WHEREAS, the Coconino County Board of Supervisors acknowledges that the community located in the unincorporated area of Coconino County at the junction State Route 64 and U.S. Highway 180 is recognized as a “Populated Place” by the United States Geological Survey’s (USGS) Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) as “Valle, Arizona”; and

WHEREAS, there is strong local community support to change the name of the populated place in the GNIS database from Valle to “Grand Canyon Junction”; and

WHEREAS, the junction of State Route 64 and U.S. Hwy 180 is the major thoroughfare for traffic to and from the South Rim of the Grand Canyon and is a natural collecting point for vast majority of approximately 6 million annual visitors. As such, the Coconino Board of Supervisors recognizes the potential for economic development; and

WHEREAS, the name Valle is often confused by non-residents with the Valley of the Sun, or the Valley, the colloquial term for the Phoenix metropolitan area approximately 200 miles to the South; and

WHEREAS, changing the name from Valle to Grand Canyon Junction would reduce confusion among non-residents and facilitate economic development of the area; and

WHEREAS, the Coconino County Board of Supervisors recognizes the strong support among local residents and landowners to rename the community at the junction of State Route 64 and Highway 180 to Grand Canyon Junction;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Coconino Board of Supervisors expresses its support for the renaming of the populated place located at the junction of State Route 64 and U.S. Highway 180, recognized as “Valle, Arizona” in the USGS GNIS database, to “Grand Canyon Junction, Arizona.”

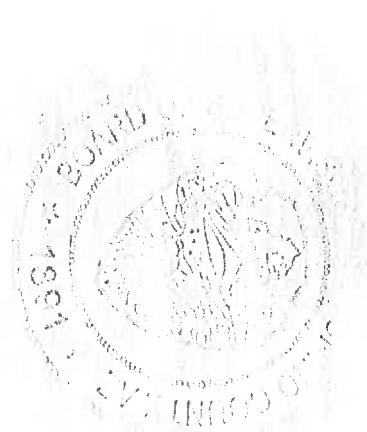
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of November 2020

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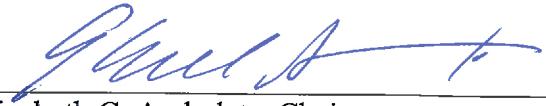
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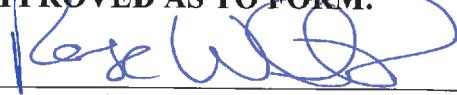
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