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RE: Support for the Resolution Copper Programmatic Agreement

Dear Mr. Nelson:

As Vice Chairman of the Pinal County Board of Supervisors, I write to you in support of the Resolution Copper Project, associated Environmental Impact Statement, and the Programmatic Agreement which have been the subject of rigorous review for more than seven years. Making it this far has been no small feat, as it has required the cooperation of numerous governmental bodies, Native American Tribes and communities, local Copper Triangle communities and other stakeholders and interested parties. Several years' worth of consultation and feedback, representing nearly a dozen versions of the document has resulted in the Programmatic Agreement - a comprehensive document spelling out measures addressing cultural heritage measures and mitigations such that the Resolution Copper project would benefit all parties. The ultimate fruition of this project is crucial for the success of Pinal County and its residents.

I am fortunate to represent the fastest growing part of Pinal County, and have spent the greater part of the last decade intimately involved in supporting its economic development. I am actively involved with my constituents who come from all backgrounds, and with confidence I can state they are in support of this project. The USFS has conducted this process with full transparency, allowing all interested parties the opportunity to comment on its outcome. It is unfortunate that the ACHP would now take a position against signing the Programmatic Agreement after years of development and careful planning. I urge you to reconsider the ACHP's position and join the numerous organizations and local communities that favor it. I look forward to the project becoming operational as planned, and the great amount of jobs it will bring for our residents who truly need them.

Thank you,

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