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City of Bullhead City, Arizona

Tom Brady, Mayor Steve D'Amico, Vice Mayor



## Lake Havasu City, Arizona Cal Sheehy, Mayor

Jeni Coke, Vice Mayor



#### **City of Kingman, Arizona** Jen Miles, Mayor Ken Watkins, Vice Mayor

President Joe Biden The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington DC

Re: Support for Senator Krysten Sinema's Senate Bill S. 2012 to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA), Congressman Stanton's Companion Bill H.R. 612 and Congressman Gosar's H.R. 538 Bipartisan Bills to Ensure Justice for Downwinders Exposed to Government Radiation Testing.

Dear President Biden:

As the Tri-City Council, we are Elected Officials representing the City of Kingman, Bullhead City and Lake Havasu City, Arizona. We are writing to express our eager support of Senator Sinema's Senate Bill S. 2012 and for Congressman Stanton's and Congressman Gosar's Bipartisan Bills to secure justice for Downwinders exposed to Government radiation testing in Southern Mohave County, Arizona. This action would expand the eligibility boundaries to ensure justness for all Downwinders exposed to radiation. We respectfully request you support our efforts in the passing of this legislation.

On January 27, 1951, the first of years of nuclear weapons testing was conducted at a site known as the Nevada Proving Grounds, located approximately 65 miles northwest of Las Vegas. Many Mohave County residents who worked and lived downwind from nuclear testing sites were adversely affected by the radiation exposure generated by the above ground nuclear weapons testing that occurred.

With the implementation and subsequent amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA), many parts of Mohave County were overlooked in the determination of covered areas when counties further East and Southeast were deemed eligible. Subsequent findings of Arizona's Radiation Regulatory Agency concluded that the Rads per individual to the thyroid in Mohave County were in some cases three times higher than those found in other Arizona counties that were covered areas.

As Elected Officials, we understand the need for communities to protect their citizens. To that end, we support the aforementioned legislation to expand the

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eligibility boundaries, bringing overdue justice to the effected residents of Mohave County.

Please contact us should you want any further discussion. Thank you very much

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for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jen Miles, Chairperson Mayor of the City of Kingman, Arizona

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