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RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION AND CALL OF ELECTION FOR THE CONTINUATION
OF THE COUNTYWIDE TRANSPORTATION ROAD MAINTENANCE
AND IMPROVEMENT FUND EXCISE TAX**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PINAL COUNTY CALLING AND ORDERING A QUESTION CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE COUNTYWIDE TRANSPORTATION ROAD MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT FUND EXCISE TAX TO APPEAR ON THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT AS PROPOSITION 486.

WHEREAS, Pinal County's countywide transportation road maintenance and improvement fund excise tax was originally passed by the voters in 1986 and renewed in 2005;

WHEREAS, the population of Pinal County has grown from approximately 100,000 residents in 1986 to more than 460,000 residents today;

WHEREAS, these funds are distributed to pay for local projects in unincorporated Pinal County and shared through a population-based formula with the County's ten incorporated cities and towns;

WHEREAS, the countywide transportation road maintenance and improvement excise tax provides revenue for the County's Transportation Improvement and Maintenance Program (TIMP).

WHEREAS, Pinal County had 898 centerline miles of paved roads and 1,319 centerline miles of unpaved roads in the unincorporated areas in 2005 at the time of the last continuation of the countywide transportation road maintenance and improvement fund excise tax, and today has 1,510 centerline miles of paved roads and 512 centerline miles of unpaved roads in the unincorporated areas;

WHEREAS, the current countywide transportation road maintenance and improvement fund excise tax shall expire on December 31, 2026;

WHEREAS, A.R.S. § 42-6101 and A.R.S. § 42-6107 authorizes the Pinal County Board of Supervisors to call an election for the continuation of the countywide transportation road maintenance and improvement fund excise tax before its expiration;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PINAL COUNTY, as follows.

SECTION 1. Election.

- A. The Board of Supervisors calls for the placement of the measure for the continuation of the transportation road maintenance and improvement fund excise (sales) tax on the ballot for the November 5, 2024 General Election.
- B. The measure shall be numbered PROPOSITION 486.
- C. The County Manager is authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to place the Proposition on the November 5, 2024 ballot.
- D. The County Elections Director shall prepare the final ballot text and publicity pamphlet for the following measure:

DESIGNATION OF MEASURE: "Relating to countywide transportation road maintenance and improvement fund excise (sales) taxes"

OFFICIAL TITLE: Countywide Transportation Road Maintenance and Improvement Fund Continuation

DESCRIPTION OF BALLOT MEASURE: A measure continuing the current countywide transportation road maintenance and improvement fund excise (sales) tax to address the regional road system by funding road repair, road widening, traffic safety improvements, pothole repair, road preservation, new road construction, intersection improvements and other transportation projects throughout Pinal County to improve public safety, reduce congestion, and promote economic growth.

In order to adequately provide for those transportation needs for the safety of the public, and in a manner which takes into consideration the significant population growth of both the County and the cities and towns within the County during the twenty (20) year period this countywide transportation road maintenance fund excise (sales) tax is in effect, it is the intention of the Pinal County Board of Supervisors that the revenues collected be used for any and all transportation uses authorized by statute.

Currently, uses are prescribed in A.R.S. Title 28, Chapter 17, Article 3, (Transportation Excise Tax Distribution in Less Populated Counties). The revenues raised from the tax levied pursuant to the terms hereof shall be used for transportation purposes listed below:

- i Highway and street purposes including roadway construction, reconstruction, maintenance, repair and roadside construction of county, city or town roads, streets, and bridges.
- ii Traffic safety and intersection improvement projects.
- iii Payment of principal and interest on highway and street bonds.
- iv Additional transportation systems including sidewalks, curbs, and pedestrian pathways.
- v Regional transportation studies.

- vi Cooperative transportation projects and studies between the federal government and its agencies, the State government and its agencies, and the incorporated cities and towns within the County.

The County shall distribute a portion of the tax revenues raised to the incorporated cities, towns and unincorporated areas within Pinal County. Existing cities and towns and cities and towns hereafter incorporated shall be entitled to their share of the tax revenues distributable to cities and towns beginning in the first quarter of the fiscal year after their incorporation or certification of population change. If the population of any city or town changes because of annexation, the share to which that city or town may be entitled because of population increase due to the annexation shall be distributable beginning in the first quarter of the fiscal year after annexation. The calculation of the amounts to be distributed to incorporated cities and towns within the County shall be made on the basis that the total population of all incorporated cities and towns in the County bears to the total population of the County. Each respective city's or town's share shall be determined by multiplying the total tax revenues to be distributed to the cities and towns by a fraction, the numerator being the population of said city or town and the denominator being the total population of all cities and towns in Pinal County.

QUESTION SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS:

Do you favor the continuation of the county excise (sales) tax for road maintenance and improvement purposes in Pinal County?

Yes _____ No _____

(A "Yes" vote has the effect of continuing the current excise (sales) tax in Pinal County for twenty years to provide funding for road maintenance and improvement projects.)

(A "No" vote has the effect of discontinuing the current excise (sales) in Pinal County for road maintenance and improvement projects.)

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2024, by the PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Clerk/Deputy Clerk of the Board

Deputy County Attorney