

**RESOLUTION NO. 2588**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, SUPPORTING GILA COUNTY PROVISIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT'S CONVERSION INTO A COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT.**

**WHEREAS**, Gila County Provisional Community College District was voted into existence by the voters of Gila County in November of 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, Gila County Community College ("GCCC") first began operating in the fall of 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, enrollment at GCCC has increased by more than 250 percent since its first class enrolled; and

**WHEREAS**, GCCC, in partnership with Eastern Arizona College, has granted 252 associates degrees and certificates since the fall of 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, GCCC injects more than \$2.6 million of direct payroll into the local economy; and

**WHEREAS**, GCCC is a vital component of Gila County's economic base; and

**WHEREAS**, current State law sets certain thresholds for provisional community college districts to meet before converting to a community college district, which GCCC cannot meet,

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, DO HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. That the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Payson support changes to Arizona's statutes that would create a reasonable pathway to allow Gila County Provisional Community College District to convert to a community college district.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA**, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011, by the following vote:

AYES \_\_\_\_\_ NOES \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT \_\_\_\_\_

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Kenny J. Evans, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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Silvia Smith, Town Clerk

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Timothy M. Wright, Town Attorney