Proclamation

Recognizing 2016 as the 90th anniversary of the International Economic Development Council and as "The Year of the Economic Developer."

WHEREAS, the International Economic Development Council is celebrating its 90th anniversary in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the International Economic Development Council is the largest professional economic development organization dedicated to serving economic developers; and

WHEREAS, the International Economic Development Council provides leadership and excellence in economic development for communities, members, and partners through conferences, training courses, advisory services and research, in-depth publications, public policy advocacy, and initiatives such as the Accredited Economic Development Organization program and the Certified Economic Developer designation; and

WHEREAS, economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base; and

WHEREAS, economic developers stimulate and incubate entrepreneurism in order to help establish the next generation of new businesses, which is the hallmark of the American economy; and

WHEREAS, economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, provincial, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions; and

WHEREAS, economic developers attract and retain high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions; and

WHEREAS, economic developers work in the Town of Payson, and the State of Arizona; and

Now, Therefore, be it resolved that the Mayor, Kenny J. Evans, and the Town Council of the Town of Payson, do hereby proclaim

May 22-28, 2016
as
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK

1) commend the International Economic Development Council and its officers, staff, and members on its 90th anniversary;

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2) recognize 2016 as "**The Year of the Economic Developer**"

in the Townof Payson and remind individuals of the importance of this profession in expanding career opportunities and improving quality of life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council is authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this proclamation to Economic Development Authority and the International Economic Development Council.

IN WITNESS THERETO, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Town of Payson, Arizona, to be affixed this 19th day of May, 2016

ATTEST:

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Kenny J. Evans, Mayor

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Silvia Smith, Town Clerk