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RESOLUTION NO.1716

Div. of Policy & Planning

**A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE GLOBE CITY COUNCIL'S FIRM
OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF DANGEROUS
PREDATORS, INTO ARIZONA INCLUDING GILA COUNTY, AS PROPOSED
BY THE US FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE AND ARIZONA GAME AND FISH
DEPARTMENT. THESE PROPOSED SPECIES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT
LIMITED TO, WOLVES AND GRIZZLY BEARS.**

WHEREAS, the Globe City Council finds and determines that the increase of dangerous predators, including introduced, experimental and managed species, will result in an increase in human-predator encounters that can result in threats, attacks, injuries and death to humans, especially vulnerable, handicapped, elderly and children; and,

WHEREAS, the Globe City Council finds and determines that predatory animals, including introduced, experimental and managed species, and predator-human encounters pose serious threats to human settlements, family households, expose children to health and safety risks, and threaten the economic well-being of families and businesses within Gila County; and,

WHEREAS, the Globe City Council has received testimonials from those affected by predators, including introduced, experimental and managed species; and,

WHEREAS, disease and spread of extremely dangerous disease by predators including introduced, experimental and managed species and rodents is not being addressed sufficiently/effectively by the agencies at hand; and,

WHEREAS, increasing pressure on our Gila County Livestock Industry and its economic impact from predatory animals, including introduced, experimental and managed species, has been shown to impact and have detrimental effects to our Gila County Agricultural, Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Industries; and,

WHEREAS, increased pressure from predatory animals, including introduced, experimental and managed species, has led to drastic and negative impacts on big game animals and associated economic industries throughout the western U.S.; and,

WHEREAS, psychological impacts and damage to citizens have been proven and testified to, by licensed mental health professionals, concerning the impacts of predators, including introduced, experimental and managed species such as the wolf, with no relief forthcoming; and,

WHEREAS, many experts on predators, including introduced, experimental and managed species, have legitimate concerns and suspicions about the genetic purity of

introduced and/or protected/specially-protected species, deeming in the case of the Mexican Gray Wolf, a wolf-dog hybrid; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Globe questions the legality and viability of introduced and experimental species of questionable historic or genetic lineage; and,

WHEREAS, many experts on predators, including introduced, experimental and managed species to include wolves, demonstrate that habituated predators may cause danger to the citizens of Gila County and their economic wellbeing because these predators may have lost their fear of humans; and,

WHEREAS, many of these experts have documented that the very practices used by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) lead to habituation and fearlessness; and,

WHEREAS, the outreach and public participation opportunities provided by the USFWS is not sufficient to address the needs of Globe citizens health, safety and welfare; and,

WHEREAS, the Globe City Council finds and determines that the USFWS actions to address Mexican Gray Wolf threats to human settlement's, households, residents and of the economic well being of the City are not sufficient to reduce and eliminate these threats to human populations; and,

And Whereas, the ability of our Citizens to employ their 2nd Amendment Rights to protect themselves, their families and their private property from depredation by these species had been removed by this proposed law to introduce these predators into our lives,

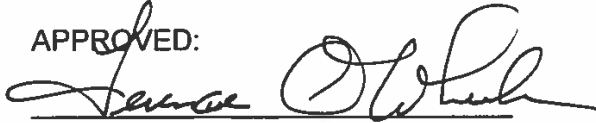
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Globe City Council hereby adopts Resolution 1716 setting forth opposition to the proposed introduction of any dangerous predators into Gila County and Arizona.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Globe, Arizona this 25nd day of August, 2014.

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terence O. Wheeler", written over a horizontal line.

Terence O. Wheeler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shelly Salazar

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bill Sims

City Attorney