

**RESOLUTION 1-2016**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO HAVE CONGRESS DESIGNATE THE CHIRICAHUA NATIONAL MONUMENT AS A NATIONAL PARK**

WHEREAS, a national park within Cochise County would benefit the local economy because national parks draw many visitors from around the country and the world; and

WHEREAS, statistics show during 2013, the National Park Service recorded more than sixty-three million visitors to National Monuments; and

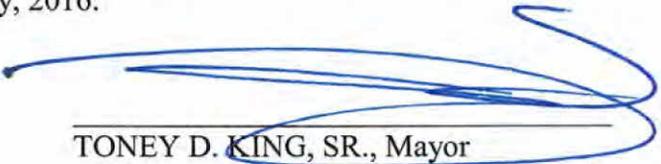
WHEREAS, recreational tourism plays a large role in helping to sustain the economies of communities; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated group has begun the official process of seeking National Park designation for the Chiricahua National Monument.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, Arizona, support reasonable efforts to have Congress designate the Chiricahua National Monument as a National Park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is directed to authorize City Agents and Officers to take steps reasonably necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA, this 11th day of January, 2016.



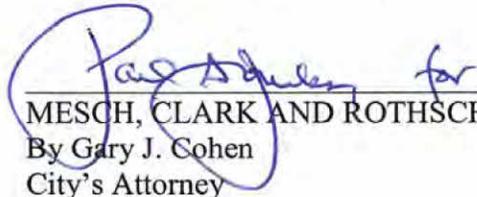
TONEY D. KING, SR., Mayor

ATTEST:



VICKI L. VIVIAN, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



MESCH, CLARK AND ROTHSCHILD, P.C.  
By Gary J. Cohen  
City's Attorney