



RESOLUTION NO. 11-01-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA, IN SUPPORT OF CHANGES TO THE ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES TO CREATE A REASONABLE PATHWAY WHICH WOULD ALLOW A PROVISIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, SUCH AS THE GILA COUNTY PROVISIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, TO TRANSITION TO A FULLY ORGANIZED COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT.

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

WHEREAS, Gila Community College first began operating in the fall of 2003; and

WHEREAS, enrollment at Gila Community College has increased by more than 250% since its first class was enrolled; and

WHEREAS, Gila Community College, in partnership with Eastern Arizona College, has granted 252 associate degrees and certificates since the fall of 2003; and

WHEREAS, Gila Community College injects more than \$2.6 million of direct payroll into the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the Gila County Provisional Community College District is currently a vital component to the economic base of Gila County; and

WHEREAS, current state law sets unattainable thresholds for provisional community college districts to meet before transitioning to a fully organized community college district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gila County Board of Supervisors is in support of changes to the Arizona Revised Statutes to create a reasonable pathway which would allow a provisional community college district, such as the Gila County Provisional Community College District, to transition to a fully organized community college district.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of January 2011, at Globe, Gila County, Arizona

Attest:

GILA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk

Michael A. Pastor, Chairman