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Arizona Secretary of State
Election Services
1700 West Washington Street, 7th Floor
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Re: Statement in Support of SCR 1001

Arizona voters are urged to support the 1-cent increase in the state sales tax to raise nearly \$1 billion in revenue that will help fund critical needs in education, public safety and health and human services.

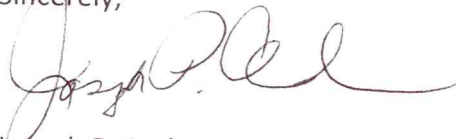
Without this increase, Arizona's economy will be crippled by additional budget cuts, resulting in the loss of thousands of jobs to health care workers, educators and public safety personnel.

In addition, failure to approve the 1-cent increase could result in: 1) permanently closing state parks and roadside rest areas; 2) increasing school class sizes, thereby eroding the quality of education for our children; 3) overloading hospital emergency rooms with families who have lost health insurance; 4) shredding the safety net protecting vulnerable adults and children; and 5) increasing officer response times on our state highways and reducing security.

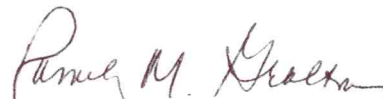
Failure to pass this 1-cent sales tax increase will critically impact the state's economy. The deterioration in the quality of life for all Arizonans will be both substantial and devastating; especially for our residents who can least afford it - children, the elderly and families already suffering from job loss in this tough economic downturn.

We urge all voters to come together and vote yes to approve this critical increase in revenue.

Sincerely,



Joseph P. Anderson
Vice President
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Pamela M. Gralton
Treasurer
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STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF MARICOPA)

On February 25, 2010 before me, Patsy A. Rivera, Notary Public, personally appeared Joseph P. Anderson and Pamela M. Gralton who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the persons whose name are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their authorized capacity and that by their signature on the instrument the persons or the entity upon behalf of which the persons acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Arizona that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

Witness my hand and official seal.



Notary Public

My commission expires:

