

RESOLUTION NO. 316

CONTRACT WITH RURAL ARIZONA

"TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF RURAL LIFE"

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN LUIS, YUMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SAN LUIS, ARIZONA, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RURAL ARIZONA, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF RURAL LIFE IN ARIZONA.

WHEREAS, Arizona and New Mexico are tied for first place in the nation with 27% of the rural population living in poverty, and Arizona's poverty is up 61% since 1979.

WHEREAS, Arizona has eight counties with poverty rates of 20% or above, an increase of 166% between 1980 and 1990 census.

WHEREAS, Arizona has, according to the 1990 census, over 40% minority population, of which two thirds are Hispanic or American Indian, and more than 1 in 5 children in Arizona live in poverty.

WHEREAS, Arizonans have a per-capita income of \$13,461 per annum, and in rural Apache, Coconino, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, La Paz, Navajo, Pinal and Yuma Counties per-capita income is less than \$11,000, and rural counties have an average poverty rate of 23% compared to a rate of 13% in urban counties.

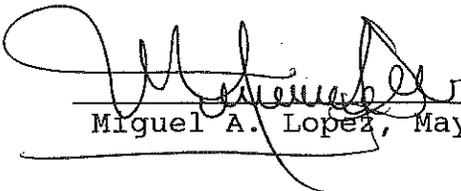
WHEREAS, Arizona ranks #2 in the United States for housing units which lack either complete plumbing or a complete kitchen, and the vast majority of these sub-standard dwellings are located in rural areas. We, the Rural People and Human Service Agencies, respectfully suggest this

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IN ORDER TO IMPROVE SERVICES FOR RURAL RESIDENTS AND INCREASE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EXISTING SERVICES, WE PROPOSE THAT THE FOLLOWING PRIORITIES BE CONSIDERED AS AREAS OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO RURAL ARIZONA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of San Luis, AZ, this 28th day of June, 1995.

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CITY OF SAN LUIS


Miguel A. Lopez, Mayor

ATTEST:


Victor M. Stevens, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Bob C. Clarke, City Attorney