TOWN OF CAREFREE, ARIZONA RESOLUTION 2022-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAREFREE, ARIZONA ("TOWN"), AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FROM THE TOWN TO THE TOWN OF CAREFREE, ARIZONA UTILITIES COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT ("CAREFREE UCFD")

WHEREAS, the desert southwest is experiencing a prolonged trend of drier and warmer weather, and

WHEREAS, this prolonged weather pattern has contributed to the declaration of a Tier 1 Shortage on the Colorado River which reduces the amount of water available for delivery to Arizona from the Central Arizona Project, and

WHEREAS, this prolonged weather pattern has also contributed to numerous destructive wildfires throughout the desert southwest and locally in the Carefree/Cave Creek area, and

WHEREAS, as result of this weather pattern, many communities throughout the Phoenix metropolitan area and desert southwest have begun significant capital projects to add capacities to enhance their water portfolios, store and withdraw groundwater supplies, and improve their water distribution systems, and

WHEREAS, these capital projects also enhance communities' ability to extinguish fires, and

WHEREAS, the ongoing Carefree Water Consolidation Project will provide capacity enhancements to the Carefree water system that will benefit all residents, and

WHEREAS, at the time the Town's publicly vetted annual budget was approved, an estimated \$2 million was placed in the Capital Project Improvement Program in anticipation of receiving federal funding associated with the American Rescue Plan Act, and

WHEREAS, these funds may be used for water infrastructure projects, and

WHEREAS, the Town has recently received approximately \$656,000 of American Rescue Plan Act Funds in the current Fiscal Year 21-22 and will be receiving an additional \$656,000 next Fiscal Year 22-23, and

WHEREAS, transferring the American Rescue Plan Act Funds to the Carefree UCFD as anticipated will support the ongoing water system enhancements to the benefit of all Town residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAREFREE, ARIZONA THAT:

Section 1. The recitals above are incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The Town officers and employees are authorized and directed to perform all acts necessary or desirable to give full effect to this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Carefree, Arizona, this / day of February, 2022.	
AYES 7 NOES 6 ABST	ENTIONS ABSENT
Les Peterson, Mayor	ATTESTED TO: Kandace French Contreras,

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Wright, Town Attorney