

HUALAPAI TRIBAL COUNCIL
RESOLUTION NO. 60-2015
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
HUALAPAI TRIBE OF THE HUALAPAI RESERVATION

Support for Designation of the Greater Grand Canyon Heritage National Monument

- WHEREAS,** the Hualapai Reservation encompasses approximately one million acres in the western Grand Canyon region, including 108 miles bordering the Colorado River; and
- WHEREAS,** the Hualapai Reservation encompasses approximately one-seventh of the aboriginal territory of the Hualapai Tribe, which included much of the landscape south of the Grand Canyon in the area being considered for the proposed Greater Grand Canyon Heritage National Monument; and
- WHEREAS,** many places that hold religious, cultural, historic, and ecological significance for the Hualapai people are located on lands encompassed by the proposed Greater Grand Canyon Heritage National Monument; and
- WHEREAS,** the Hualapai Tribe recognizes the historic and ongoing connections to the land, water, animals, plants, ancestral sites, and other natural and cultural resources of the proposed National Monument; and
- WHEREAS,** the Hualapai Tribe further recognizes that the landscape encompassed by the proposed National Monument also holds religious, cultural, historic, and ecological significance to several other Southwestern Indian Tribes, including the Havasupai, Hopi, Navajo, Southern Paiute, Yavapai-Apache, Zuni, and others currently more distant, all of whom assert their affiliation with these lands; and
- WHEREAS,** the Federal Government has responsibilities, both legal and moral, to manage public lands in a way that shows proper respect for places that hold religious, cultural, and historical importance to Indian tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** creation of the Greater Grand Canyon Heritage National Monument explicitly acknowledges the importance of the landscape to Indian Tribes, and will allow for more effective and enhanced preservation of the integrity of places that hold tribal religious, cultural, historical, and ecological significance; and
- WHEREAS,** creation and management of the National Monument will allow for greater opportunities for shared stewardship of natural and cultural resources between

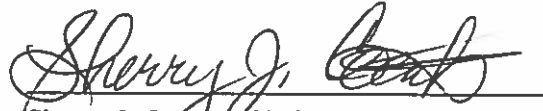
agencies and Indian Tribes, including the integration of Traditional Ecological Knowledge in the development and implementation of management plans; and

WHEREAS, the National Monument will continue to accommodate certain past uses of the landscape, including hunting and grazing, but will protect the land from mining and other activities incompatible with wise and sustainable stewardship.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hualapai Tribe formally declares strong support for the Greater Grand Canyon Heritage National Monument designation, which reflects the will and the values of Native peoples whose identities, histories, cultures and futures are inextricably tied to these lands.


CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Chairwoman of the Hualapai Tribal Council hereby certify that the Hualapai Tribal Council of the Hualapai Tribe is composed of nine (9) members of whom (9) constituting a quorum were present at a Special Council Meeting thereof held on this 19th day of August 2015; and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of (9) - for, (0)- oppose, pursuant to authority of Article V, Section (a) of the Constitution of the Hualapai Tribe approved March 13, 1991.



Sherry J. Courts, Chairwoman
Hualapai Tribal Council

ATTEST:



Adeline Crozier, Assistant Secretary
Hualapai Tribal Council