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RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE ARIZONA MUNICIPAL WATER USERS ASSOCIATION
REGARDING**

THE 1980 GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT AND SAFE-YIELD

WHEREAS, the Cities of Avondale, Chandler, Glendale, Goodyear, Mesa, Peoria, Phoenix Scottsdale, Tempe and the Town of Gilbert are members of the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association, a voluntary, non-profit corporation established by cities in the urban area of Maricopa County for the development of an urban water policy; and

WHEREAS, the 1980 Groundwater Management Act established the goal of safe-yield---a long-term balance between the amount of groundwater withdrawn and the amount replenished---for the Phoenix, Tucson, and Prescott Active Management Areas; and

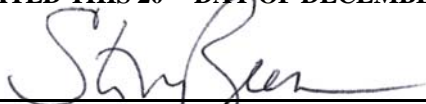
WHEREAS, safe-yield will not be achieved so long as groundwater mining continues in the Phoenix, Tucson, and Prescott Active Management Areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association that the Arizona State Legislature require that those who propose changes to the 1980 Groundwater Management Act must address the following:

1. What might the proposed change do in terms of groundwater mining? Will it be increased? Decreased? Or will the proposed change have little or no impact on the level of groundwater mining?
2. What might the proposed change mean for the achievement of safe-yield? Will it be more difficult? Easier? Or will the proposed change have little or no impact on the achievement of safe-yield?
3. If groundwater mining will be increased and the achievement of safe-yield made more difficult by the proposed change, why is that justified?
4. Will other persons or water users be affected by the proposed change, and, if so, how?

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association that the Association urges the Arizona State Legislature to resist any efforts to repeal, directly or indirectly, the safe-yield management goal.

DATED THIS 20TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2007



Mayor Steven M. Berman, President
Arizona Municipal Water Users Association

ATTEST:



Steven L. Olson, Executive Director
Arizona Municipal Water Users Association