

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-XX

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA
CONCERNING THE ARIZONA ACCORD (FIVE PRINCIPLES TO GUIDE
ARIZONA'S IMMIGRATION DISCUSSION)**

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Flagstaff City Council has reviewed the Arizona Accord, attached hereto as Exhibit A, which proposes five principles to guide immigration discussion and reform efforts.

ENACTMENTS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF AS FOLLOWS:

Option 1

The Flagstaff City Council supports the basic ideas in the Arizona Accord. We believe they can help inform dialogue at the local, state and federal levels about realistic solutions to the immigration challenges our country is facing.

Option 2

The Flagstaff City Council hereby supports the general ideas in the Arizona Accord, a declaration drafted to inform community conversations about our immigration challenges and policymakers as they craft realistic solutions to the problem.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Flagstaff this _____ day of _____, 2013.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY

THE ARIZONA ACCORD

A DECLARATION OF FIVE PRINCIPLES TO GUIDE ARIZONA'S IMMIGRATION DISCUSSION



FEDERAL SOLUTIONS – Immigration is a federal policy issue between the U.S. government and other countries—not Arizona and other countries. We urge Arizona's congressional delegation, and others, to lead efforts to strengthen federal laws and protect our national borders. We urge state leaders to adopt reasonable policies addressing immigrants in Arizona.

LAW ENFORCEMENT – We respect the rule of law and support law enforcement's professional judgment and discretion. Local law enforcement resources should focus on criminal activities, not civil violations of federal code.

FAMILIES – Strong families are the foundation of successful communities. We oppose policies that unnecessarily separate families. We champion policies that support families and improve the health, education and well-being of all Arizona children.

ECONOMY – Arizona is best served by a free-market philosophy that maximizes individual freedom and opportunity. We acknowledge the economic role immigrants play as workers and taxpayers. Arizona's immigration policies must reaffirm our global reputation as a welcoming and business-friendly state.

A FREE SOCIETY – Immigrants are integrated into communities across Arizona. We must adopt a humane approach to this reality, reflecting our unique culture, history and spirit of inclusion. The way we treat immigrants will say more about us as a free society and less about our immigrant neighbors. Arizona should always be a place that welcomes people of goodwill.