

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA

Date: May 16, 2007

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PRESENT: Jose M. Sanchez, Chairman (participated via telephone conference call); Shirley L. Dawson, Member (participated via telephone conference call); Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/County Librarian, and Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk.

The Gila County Board of Supervisors met in Emergency Session at 9:15 a.m.

Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/County Librarian, requested that an Emergency Session be held in order to adopt Resolution No. 07-05-05 declaring a state of emergency within Gila County as a result of potential damages caused the by Ponderosa Fire, which began on May 12, 2007, and the Promontory Point Fire, which began on May 13, 2007, as well as the potential for other wildfires to occur within Gila County. Ms. Griffin advised that by declaring a state of emergency in Gila County through the adoption of the resolution, it allows the County to apply for State and Federal financial assistance under the Disaster Relief Act and the appropriate Arizona Revised Statutes, or otherwise from the President's Disaster Relief Act. Ms. Griffin read aloud the Resolution. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board adopted Resolution No. 07-05-05. At this time, Debra Williams, Emergency Management Analyst, provided a brief summary on

the fires to the Board. Chairman Sanchez inquired as to the location of the County's emergency operations center for these fires. Ms. Williams advised that Mariano Gonzalez, Emergency Management Operations Director, is currently operating the County's emergency operations center out of the Star Valley Maintenance Yard conference room. She also advised that Mr. Gonzalez and Vice-Chairman Martin were both presently attending a fire briefing meeting with the USDA Forest Service in Payson. Chairman Sanchez advised that he would be available by phone if needed. (Note for the record: Chairman Sanchez, Supervisor Dawson and Steve Besich, County Manager/Clerk, were attending meetings in Phoenix today.) **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' office.)**

Chairman Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

Jose M. Sanchez, Chairman

ATTEST:

Steven L. Besich, County Manager/Clerk