

RESOLUTION 91-147

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERDE, ARIZONA, IN SUPPORT OF THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF FORT VERDE STATE PARK, AND RECOGNITION OF ITS ROLE IN PROVIDING RECREATION, TOURISM AND HISTORICAL HERITAGE TO THE TOWN.

WHEREAS, the Arizona State Parks Board has recently announced the need to close various State parks and historical sites because of budgetary restraints, including Fort Verde State Park, and

WHEREAS, Fort Verde has been the initial settlement in the Verde Valley, and a source of community heritage and pride as an authentic military post for over 100 years, and

WHEREAS, Fort Verde has not only shown an increase in tourist visits, but also served an equal number of residents and visitors as the site for Fort Verde Days celebrations, annual Renaissance Fairs, cultural fairs and various community events and celebrations, and

WHEREAS, the location of Fort Verde State Park, in the center of the downtown development of Camp Verde, will prove to increase the number of visitors and community events, directly impacting and benefitting the local and Verde Valley economy at an estimated value of approximately \$2.5 million dollars, and

WHEREAS, the Federal and State governments have announced construction of a combined visitors center on the South Access road in Camp Verde which will encourage visitors to the Verde Valley to visit all the various historical and recreational sites, and the nearest to the new center will be Fort Verde and Montezuma Castle National Monument, and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Arizona, by initiative measure known as Proposition 200 have allocated an additional \$10 million dollars from State Lottery funds for establishment of a heritage fund in the Arizona State Parks Board as an annual increase in funds for preservation, protection, and enhancement of the natural environment, outdoor recreation, and historical sites.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Arizona that:


- 1) Support of Continued Operation. The Fort Verde State Historical Park should continue to be operated by the Arizona State Parks Board, without decrease in hours of operation or services to the public and the Town of Camp Verde, and

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- 2) Recognition. The Town of Camp Verde hereby recognizes the economic, historical, and recreational role of Fort Verde State Historic Park in the community, and Verde Valley, and it should be maintained as the heritage of all its citizens and record of the pioneers to all its visitors.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona this 1st day of May, 1991.



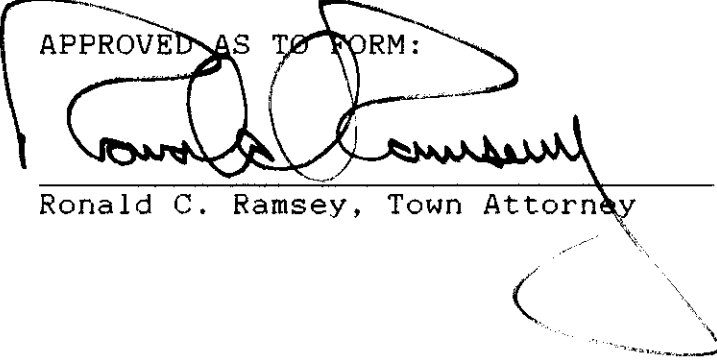
Carter Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Marshall, Acting Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Ronald C. Ramsey, Town Attorney