A Resolution Approving the Council’s Strategic Plan Recommendations to The University of Arizona President, Dr. Robert C. Robbins:

WHEREAS, The University of Arizona was established in 1885 as the State Land-Grant institution;

WHEREAS, The University of Arizona Mission is “To improve the prospects and enrich the lives of the people of Arizona and the world through education, research, and creative expression”; 

WHEREAS, The University of Arizona Vision is “Through cross-cutting innovations distinctive to The University of Arizona, we will expand the student experience through engagement, advance knowledge through innovations in creative inquiry and collaboration, and forge novel partnerships to positively impact our community”; 

WHEREAS, The University of Arizona Core Values are “A Diverse and Inclusive Community, Excellence, Innovation and Entrepreneurial Action, Integrity and Partnerships”; 

WHEREAS, The University of Arizona embraces and complies with the Arizona Board of Regents’ (ABOR) Tribal Consultation Policy 1-118, adopted on February 2, 2016; 

WHEREAS, Arizona Indian Tribal Nations have contributed approximately $500 million dollars to The State of Arizona Education Programs and another approximately $250 million dollars to the Arizona Hospital Emergency and Trauma Centers over the past fifteen (15) years; also, University of Arizona sponsored awards in Native American research and institutional engagement totaled over $83 million dollars in 2017-2018; 

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, as follows: The following Strategic Plan Recommendations are made to The University of Arizona President, Dr. Robert C. Robbins.

1) Development of a University of Arizona Tribal Consultation Policy Plan of Action (TCPPA), aligned with the ABOR Tribal Consultation Policy and ratified by Arizona Tribal Nations, that will memorialize and guide an administrative commitment to a comprehensive implementation plan embraced by all colleges, departments, units and programs.

2) Development of a Tribal Nations’ Sovereignty Plaza on campus acknowledging the Arizona Tribal Nations; the tenets of tribal sovereignty and contributions of Tribal Nations and citizens to Arizona, education and The University of Arizona, and includes the long overdue recognition that The University of Arizona Tucson campus is located on the ancestral homelands of the Tohono O’odham.

3) Development of a University of Arizona Strategic Plan of Action that, capitalizing upon the unique cultural and tribal assets of Arizona, transforms The University of Arizona into a globally premier destination for Native American students, faculty, and staff; as well as a reliable partner for Tribal Nations’ interests and priorities.

Passed by the Native American Community Council on this 19th day of July, 2018

By: ________________________________  By: ________________________________
    Jacob Bernal, Council Co-Chair                Connie F. Greenberg, Council Co-Chair

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