

## SouthEastern Arizona Governments Organization

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-01**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHEASTERN ARIZONA GOVERNMENTS ORGANIZATION SUPPORTING THE 18TH ANNUAL RURAL POLICY FORUM

WHEREAS, the SouthEastern Arizona Governments Organization (SEAGO) whose core function is to assist local governments in seeking cooperative solutions to area wide problems; to provide a forum for regional policy development; and to serve as a coordinating link between municipal, county, tribal, state, and federal agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, SEAGO has been designated by the Economic Development Administration (EDA) as an Economic Development District (EDD) for the four-county region of Cochise, Graham, Greenlee, and Santa Cruz Counties; and

WHEREAS, SEAGO is desirous of supporting, promoting, and expanding activities to advance the economic development of these four counties; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Rural Policy Forum annually convenes rural and tribal economic development professionals, community leaders, business owners, nonprofits, and other stakeholders and advocates to harness their collective experience, knowledge and power to sustain our rural and tribal communities; and

WHEREAS, the multi-day forum includes capacity-building sessions, networking opportunities, and focused breakouts, where communities and nonprofits can connect their local needs and economic development activities to policymakers who are potential future partners.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the SEAGO Executive Board hereby supports the 18th Annual Rural Policy Forum, to be held at Eastern Arizona College in Thatcher, Arizona on August 8 and 9 of 2025.

Passed and adopted by the SEAGO Executive Board on this 16th day of May 2025.

Arnold Lopez

**Executive Board Chair** 

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