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To: the Board of Supervisors, Pima County Re: October 16, BOS meeting, RESOLUTION NO. 2018 - 66 October 13, 2018

The recently released Special Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change warns that without urgent action by humanity, the Earth faces serious climate impacts as early as 2040 through mass die-offs of coral reefs, widespread drought, famine, wildfires, and potential conflicts over land, food and fresh water. Our local region, including the Tucson Mountains, is being severely affected by global warming, and the expected damage in the both the near and far future is a cost far too great to ignore. The IPCC report makes clear that strong action must begin during the next ten years to avoid catastrophe. It is critical that the U.S.A. take leadership in these efforts. The Tucson Mountains Association applauds Resolution 2018 - 66 to be considered by the Board of Supervisors at the October 16 meeting. We urge all supervisors to vote for this resolution to implement the County's Sustainable Action Plan. While specifically reducing the County's contributions to global warming, this plan importantly leads by example. Similar plans must be implemented across the United States both in government and in the private sector. Therefore, we urge the County to go further by (a) working with the private sector and other governments to implement sustainability plans, (b) promoting legislation to limit greenhouse gas emissions, and (c) educating the public in the need for strong action to mitigate climate change.

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Pima County Board of Supervisors 130 W. Congress Street Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Members of the Pima County Board of Supervisors:

The Community Water Coalition of Southern Arizona (CWC-SOAZ) supports the Pima County Sustainability Action Plan which addresses internal county operations. The county can and should be a good role model for the community in terms of sustainable practices. The CWC-SOAZ also suggests that the county include citizen input in the annual review process for the Sustainability Action Plan.

Thank you for your efforts to improve county operations with an emphasis on sustainability.

Sincerely,

Ivy Schwartz, MD Chair Melanie Mizell Community Water Coalition of Southern Arizona

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