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Pima County Board of Supervisors

To: Melissa Manriquez, Clerk of the Board

From: Matt Heinz, Supervisor, District 2

Date: April 2, 2026

RE: April 2, 2026, Addendum Agenda: Resolution Opposing Unlawful Federal Interference in Pima County's Election Administration

Please add this item to the 4/7/26 Addendum Agenda for the BOS Meeting as a proposed resolution opposing unlawful federal interference in Pima County's election administration.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - ____

**PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RESOLUTION OPPOSING
UNLAWFUL FEDERAL INTERFERENCE
IN PIMA COUNTY'S ELECTION ADMINISTRATION**

WHEREAS, the Pima County Board of Supervisors finds that free, fair, and accessible elections are a core constitutional function of the states, delegated to the counties, and not subject to unilateral control by the President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, President Trump's March 31, 2026 Executive Order on mail-in voting attempts to impose new federal controls over state election administration, including federal "citizenship lists," new mail-in ballot transmission rules, and threatened enforcement against state and local election officials; and

WHEREAS, federal courts have already blocked key portions of the Trump administration's 2025 election Executive Order, concluding that the president lacks authority to direct federal election administration in areas reserved to the states, Congress, and independent agencies; and

WHEREAS, Pima County conducts secure elections under state law, and vote-by-mail is a lawful, longstanding, and widely used method relied upon by roughly ninety percent (90%) of Arizona voters; and

WHEREAS, the use of incomplete or mismatched federal databases risks disenfranchising eligible voters, including citizens with limited mobility, voters who lack reliable transportation, naturalized citizens, Tribal citizens, military voters, and other voters entitled to cast a ballot under state and federal law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors opposes any federal executive action that unlawfully interferes with Pima County's election administration or restricts lawful access to vote-by-mail; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board affirms that Arizona elections must be administered in accordance with the United States Constitution, the Arizona Constitution, relevant federal laws and the Arizona Revised Statutes, not by unilateral presidential decree; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board urges prompt judicial review of the March 31, 2026 Executive Order and supports all lawful efforts to protect eligible voters from disenfranchisement; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board transmit this resolution to the President of the United States, Governor Katie Hobbs, Secretary of State Adrian Fontes, Attorney General Kris Mayes, and the Congressional delegation for Arizona.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Pima County Board of Supervisors this 7th day of April 2026.

Hon. Jennifer Allen, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Melissa Manriquez
Clerk of the Board



Sam Brown
Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney