RESOLUTION NO. 2019-1674

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRESCOTT, ARIZONA DESIGNATING TWO PRESCOTT SIGN FREE ZONES PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 16-1019(F) AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) section 16-1019(C) prohibits cities from removing, altering, defacing, or covering political signs placed in public right-of-way if certain conditions outlined in the statute are met;

WHEREAS, despite that general prohibition, pursuant to A.R.S. section 16-1019(F), cities are authorized to designate areas of the city as sign free zones, thereby allowing cities to remove political signs that are placed in city right-of-way within the designated sign free zones:

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to designate two Prescott Sign Free Zones to protect the scenic and aesthetic appeal of the area within the zones and maintain its appeal to tourists;

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to identify by this resolution the location and extent of the rights-of-way areas to be designated as the Prescott Sign Free Zones.

ENACTMENTS:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRESCOTT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

The City Council has determined that based on a predominance of commercial tourism, resort, and hotel uses within the areas to be designated as a sign free zone, the placement of political signs within the City rights-of-way in the designated zone will detract from the scenic and aesthetic appeal of the area within the zone and deter its appeal to tourists.

SECTION 2.

The City Council, pursuant to A.R.S. section 16-1019(F), hereby designates the areas identified in Exhibit A in yellow and Exhibit B in yellow, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, the Prescott Sign Free Zones.

SECTION 3.

This resolution shall not affect the ability to place sandwich board signs on sidewalks in the Downtown Business Zone District as provided for in Prescott City Code Section 8-2-4.K, nor shall it affect the ability to place bus benches in City Right-of-Way as provided in Prescott City Code Section 8-2-17, nor shall it affect the City Banner Program as provided for in Prescott City Code Sections 8-6-1 and 8-6-5.

SECTION 4

CLOTION 4.
This resolution shall become effective thirty (30) days following adoption by the City Council.
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the city of Prescott this 22 day of February, 2019. GREG L/MENGARELLI, Mayor
ATTEST: APPROVED AS TO FORM:
MAUREEN SCOTT City Clerk MATTHEN PODRACHY, FOR
CERTIFICATION OF RECORDING OFFICER
STATE OF ARIZONA) County of Yavapai) ss.
I, the undersigned Maureen Scott, being the duly appointed, qualified City Clerk of the City of Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2019-1674 is a true, correct and accurate copy of Resolution No. 2019-1674, passed and adopted at a Voting Meeting of the Council of the City of Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, held on the day of James 2019, at which a quorum was present and, by a vote.

Given under my hand and sealed this <u>a4</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2019.

Seal (YAWA)

City Clerk



