



Resolution

OFFICE OF THE
MAYOR
CITY OF SAN LUIS

NO. 756

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN LUIS, ARIZONA, SUPPORTING THE ASSIGNMENT OF A U.S. CONSULAR OFFICIAL TO SERVICE VISA APPLICATIONS IN SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO, MEXICO

WHEREAS, the agricultural industry is a mainstay of the local economy and that industry relies on access to seasonal workers and their efficient passage across the U.S.-Mexican border; and,

WHEREAS, seasonal workers employed by Yuma's agricultural concerns primarily pass through the U.S. Port of Entry in San Luis, Arizona; and,

WHEREAS, to enter the U.S. through the San Luis Port of Entry, seasonal workers require a temporary visa under the H-2A program, and the nearest U.S. Consulate where they can apply for such a visa is in Nogales, Mexico, more than 300 highway miles away; and,

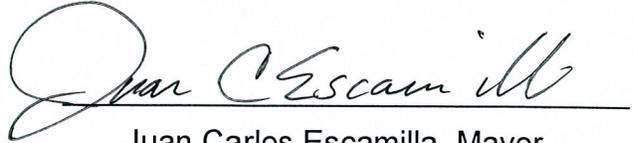
WHEREAS, The U.S. Consulate in Nogales, Mexico accepts H-2A applications only one day per week, and consequently Yuma-area agricultural employers typically bus workers even farther, to the U.S. Consulate in Hermosillo, Mexico; and,

WHEREAS, locating a U.S. Consulate in San Luis, Rio Colorado would help to ensure an adequate seasonal workforce for Yuma's agricultural industry.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, that the City supports the assignment by the U.S. Department of State of a U.S. consular official to be located in San Luis Rio Colorado, Mexico, for the express purpose of servicing visa applications for seasonal workers seeking Yuma-area agricultural jobs.

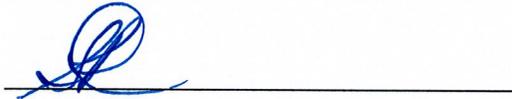
Passed and adopted this 24th day of October 2007.

APPROVED:



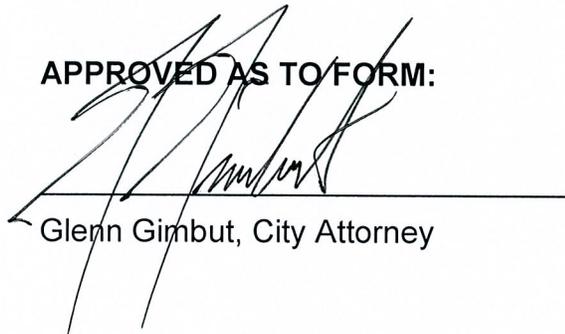
Juan Carlos Escamilla, Mayor

ATTESTED:



Sonia Cuello, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Glenn Gimbut, City Attorney