

**RESOLUTION OF THE TUCSON AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
AEROSPACE, DEFENSE AND TECHNOLOGY BUSINESS & RESEARCH PARK  
SPACEPORT TUCSON**

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Tucson Airport Authority is to promote aviation and foster economic development by strategically planning, developing and operating the most effective, efficient and safest airport system for southern Arizona;

**WHEREAS**, Tucson International Airport is a vital tourism and transportation asset benefiting the economy of the entire southern Arizona region and generating \$3.2 billion annually in economic impacts;

**WHEREAS**, in May 2013, the Tucson Airport Authority adopted a Resolution of Support for Pima County's Economic Development Plan – Aerospace and Defense Corridor, supporting enhancement of the airport employment region and development of an aerospace and defense manufacturing, business and research park;

**WHEREAS**, in January 2016, World View Enterprises became the first tenant at Pima County's newly-established Aerospace, Defense and Technology Business & Research Park, and construction of its headquarters and manufacturing facilities, as well as the adjacent SpacePort Tucson, are underway. With this development, World View has committed to hire more than 400 new employees and is projected to have a \$3.5 billion economic impact in southern Arizona over the next 20 years;

**WHEREAS**, World View plans to use SpacePort Tucson for manned and unmanned high-altitude balloon launches and is consulting with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), TAA, as well as other key stakeholders at Tucson International Airport, to obtain the necessary licenses for spaceport operations;

**IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** the Tucson Airport Authority supports Pima County's economic development plan that includes development of World View's headquarters and manufacturing facilities within the Aerospace, Defense and Technology Business & Research Park, and is committed to working with the FAA, World View and other key stakeholders in the FAA regulatory review and licensing process for SpacePort Tucson to ensure the safe and efficient integration of all aeronautical users in and around the Tucson International Airport.

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2016.

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Tony Finley, Chair of the Board  
Tucson Airport Authority