



RESOLUTION NO. 2023-12

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COCONINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OFFERING CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF SENATOR JACK
JACKSON SR., FORMER STATE LEGISLATOR FOR ARIZONA, AND
PROCLAIMING MARCH 22, 2023 AS SENATOR JACK JACKSON SR. DAY IN
COCONINO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, former Arizona State Senator Jack Jackson Sr., born in the Navajo Nation, served on the Navajo Nation Council from 1980 to 1984, in the Arizona State House of Representatives from 1985 to 1998, and as Arizona State Senator from 1998 to 2004; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jackson served in many government and leadership capacities throughout his career including, but not limited to, Director of Legislative and Cultural Affairs at Diné College, Director of the Diné College Office of Diné Education Philosophy, and Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Health Authority in the Office of Student Affairs and Native Healing Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jackson was instrumental in passing the bill establishing Arizona Indian Legislative Day, now called Indian Nations and Tribes Legislative Day, which occurs on each Wednesday of the first week of each regular legislative session in Arizona, during which elected officials pay tribute to the history and culture of Native Americans and their contributions to the prosperity and cultural diversity of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jackson sponsored and co-sponsored many other bills, including the Transaction Privilege Tax, which provided funds to tribal educational institutions, counties, towns, and municipalities, and resulted in \$17.5 million in funding for Diné College over ten years; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jackson earned Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Secondary Education from Northern Arizona University and received an honorary doctorate degree from Bacone College in Muskogee, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jackson and his twin brother, Dean C. Jackson, founded the All-Indian Rodeo Cowboy Association; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jackson passed away on March 5, 2023, at the age of 90, in Window Rock, Arizona;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Coconino County Board of Supervisors hereby recognize Senator Jack Jackson Sr.'s countless contributions to the Navajo Nation, Coconino County, the State of Arizona, and the United States of America by proclaiming March 22, 2023, as Senator Jack Jackson Sr. Day in Coconino County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of March 2023.

AYES: 5
NOS: 0
ABSENT: 0

COCONINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

(SEAL)




Patrice Horstman, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Monique Coady, Deputy County Attorney

ATTEST:


Lindsay Daley, Clerk of the Board