

RESOLUTION 2019-05

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COCONINO COUNTY,
ARIZONA, OPPOSING WILDLIFE KILLING CONTESTS
CONDUCTED IN COCONINO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, hunting and fishing have been a part of the fabric and history of the communities of Coconino County throughout its history; and

WHEREAS, Coconino County values hunting as a method of food gathering, recreation, wildlife management, ecosystem balance, and protection of private property, just as the county values humane animal care and husbandry and responsible pet ownership; and

WHEREAS, predators, including coyotes and bobcats, are an integral part of the ecosystem and play a critical role in maintaining a healthy balance of plants and animals in the ecosystem by preying on species such as rabbits, mice, and other rodents; and

WHEREAS, predator management is an important tool for agriculture, recreation, hunting, and conservation; and

WHEREAS, the purposes and goals of many wildlife killing contests are profit, entertainment, prizes, or gambling and not for goals of personal consumption, protection of property, or the ethic of conservation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Coconino County Board of Supervisors hereby opposes wildlife killing contests conducted in Coconino County.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Board of Supervisors have hereunto set our hand and caused the seal of the county of Coconino, Arizona to be affixed this 12th day of February 2019.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Coconino County this 12th day of February, 2019.

AYES:

NOS:

ABSENT:

COCONINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

(SEAL)

Art Babbott, Chairman

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Lindsay Daley, Clerk of the Board

Rose Winkeler