



# Sedona Fire District

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## RESOLUTION NO. 2015 – 01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF SEDONA FIRE DISTRICT SUPPORTING EFFORTS OF THE BIG PARK REGIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL IN OBTAINING A DARK SKY COMMUNITY DESIGNATION FROM THE INTERNATIONAL DARK-SKY ASSOCIATION FOR BIG PARK/VILLAGE OF OAK CREEK.**

**WHEREAS**, Big Park/Village of Oak Creek is a unique and picturesque community, defined by daylight by its distinctive red rock landscape and in darkness offers a rich night sky; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board wishes to support the Big Park Regional Coordinating Council in its desire to promote and enhance the efforts of the citizens of Big Park/Village of Oak Creek to be good stewards of its dark sky; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the most precious assets of Big Park/Village of Oak Creek is its dark skies where the Milky Way is not only visible but also a bright presence and the spectacular views of the heavens are enjoyed by both residents and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, being the precious resource that it is, protection of our dark skies requires the collaborative efforts of citizens, businesses, community groups, and others working together in order to protect and preserve the unique scenic beauty of our nighttime skies, and;

**WHEREAS**, by ultimately obtaining the designation of being a “Dark Sky Community” from the International Dark-Sky Association Big Park/Village of Oak Creek’s ability to promote and protect its dark skies will be enhanced.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SEDONA FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD:**

That the Governing Board supports the Big Park Regional Coordinating Council in pursuing a Dark Sky Community designation. The International Dark-Sky Association is respectfully urged to consider formally designating Big Park/Village of Oak Creek as a “Dark Sky Community.”

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the Sedona Fire District Governing Board this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

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Ty Montgomery, Board Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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Corrie Cooperman, Board Clerk