## ATTACHMENT A



June 26, 2020

Mayor Kate Gallego City of Phoenix

Re: Add On Item(s) – Phoenix Healthy Tourism and Hospitality Measures

Dear Mayor Gallego,

Since the onset of this pandemic, the City of Phoenix has acted with urgency to take measures to protect and provide resources to our residents. In a letter to Governor Ducey dated April 27<sup>th</sup> 2020, the Arizona Lodging & Tourism Association asked for guidance to "help save jobs and reignite our economy." As they stated in the letter, "the tourism industry has been hardest hit by the economic fallout due to the COVID-19 pandemic."

The LTA asked the state to allow furloughed employees to qualify for unemployment benefits and detailed the need for preparedness to re-open our economy. While we recognize their urgency in doing so, we believe we are putting our residents, travelers, and workers at greater risk by not properly addressing the health and financial conditions of our new reality.

It is for those reasons we are requesting the City of Phoenix add the three attached Phoenix Healthy Tourism and Hospitality ordinances to the Formal Council Meeting agenda on Wednesday, July 1, 2020. As Phoenix COVID-19 cases and deaths continue to rise, we cannot kick the can down the road any further. We must keep safe those still in the workplace and ensure workers return to a healthy environment when the time comes.

Sincerely,

Betty Guardado

Vice Mayor, District 5

Sincerely,

Laura Pastor

Councilwoman, District 4

Sincerely,

Carlos Garcia

Councilmember, District 8