RESOLUTION NO. 708

BROADENING THE DEFINITION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR
COUNTY SUPPORTED LONG TERM
CARE SERVICES TO INCLUDE THE CONCEPT OF PREVENTION OF
FUTURE COSTLY INSTITUTIONALIZATION AT COUNTY EXPENSE WHEN
MEDICALLY FEASIBLE TO ACHIEVE SUCH PREVENTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. §11-291, Yavapai County is charged with the responsibility of providing for the care of residents needing long term institutional care and who are lacking sufficient resources to purchase such care; and

WHEREAS, there exist, now and in the future, residents of Yavapai County whose medical prognosis is such that in the absence of home health services, they will be expected to experience physical deterioration to the degree that institutionalization at County expense will become the only recourse for them; and

WHEREAS, there exist, now and in the future, residents of Yavapai County in supervisory care homes whose medical prognosis is such that in the absence of home health services, they will be expected to experience physical deterioration to the degree that movement to personal, intermediate, or skilled nursing care at County expense will become the only recourse for them; and

WHEREAS, certain of these residents of Yavapai County have no personal means nor are they eligible to obtain home health services; and



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WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to promote quality of life for such residents and to delay or avoid public expense for the institutional support of these residents whenever medically feasible;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that such residents who are not otherwise able to purchase home health services or are otherwise unable to establish eligibility for such services and who, based upon competent medical prognosis, are in danger of being placed in a long term care institution or of being moved to a higher level of care at County expense in the absence of these services, shall be declared medically indigent for the sole purpose of receiving Yavapai County Health Department home health services.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Yavapai County, Arizona, this 1st day of December, 1986.

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attest:

Clerk, Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Deputy County Attorney