## RESOLUTION NO. 1424

## A RESOLUTION OF THE YAVAPAI COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEDONA-RED ROCK NATIONAL SCENIC AREA

WHEREAS, the Sedona area is truly unique and deserves special attention to ensure the protection and preservation of the natural, cultural and historic values of the Coconino National Forest Lands in the greater Sedona area; and

WHEREAS, as a result of more than two years of a collaborative effort between the Forest Service and local citizens, Amendment 12 of the Coconino Forest Plan was prepared and adopted in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 12 establishes a vision for the future and describes detailed new management directions for National Forest Lands in the Sedona/Oak Creek ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 12 contains a restrictive land trade policy which allows for the trade of national Forest Lands in the area only if high quality privately-owned lands in the area can be acquired; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 12 states that "it is now the appropriate time to consider special designation."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors is in full support of a special Congressional designation in order to ensure the preservation of the area under the management of the Forest Service as prescribed in the operative Coconino Forest Plan for the area.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.

/s/ A.G. "Chip" Davis
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

/s/ Bev Staddon Clerk, Board of Supervisors