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# MEMORANDUM

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Date: March 26, 2009

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CHH", is written over the printed name "C.H. Huckelberry".

Re: Arizona Association of Counties Membership Dues

Given the County's fiscal condition, I previously had written to the Arizona Association of Counties and County Supervisors Association regarding reductions in dues paid by the County to these organizations. Attached please find a letter from the Arizona Association of Counties, indicating that they have voluntarily voted to reduce all county membership assessments by 5 percent for fiscal year 2010. This savings, while not significant, is a positive step that recognizes the deteriorating fiscal conditions of local government.

CHH/jj

Attachment

c: Martin Willett, Chief Deputy County Administrator  
Tom Burke, Finance and Risk Management Director  
Thomas House, Budget Manager, Finance and Risk Management



Mr. Charles Huckleberry, County Administrator  
Pima County  
130 W. Congress, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Mr. Huckleberry:

The Arizona Association of Counties (AACo) recognizes the challenges Pima County is experiencing as a result of the continuing economic recession and is keenly aware of the diminishing presence of financial resources to meet the community's demand for quality public services. As a result, I'm pleased to inform you that the AACo Board of Directors on Friday, March 20, 2009 voluntarily voted to reduce all counties' membership assessments by 5% in FY2010. This will result in a reduction of \$1797.00 for Pima County.

To achieve this temporary reduction of assessments, the Association has cancelled its three conferences for 2009 and two conferences for 2010. Additionally, AACo will hold a professional staff position vacant for the duration of FY10. While these events and the vacant position would improve the economic bottom line of the Association, it is our belief that the Association must sacrifice what it can afford while achieving its mission to assist the counties in these unprecedented times.

Therefore, look ahead to FY10 and know that your membership in AACo will continue to deliver dividends to Pima County. Whether they come in the form of superb advocacy on behalf of county governments at the Arizona State Legislature or educational programming that advances the capacity of your employees to lead responsibly or even in the form of new products and services that will save your county taxpayers money, the benefits of membership in AACo will be realized as a result of our unwavering commitment to providing each and every employee of Pima County with unparalleled service.

You have a partner in AACo and I encourage you to use the Association's resources to advance your county's goals. In the meantime, know that your continued membership in the Association is valued and that I and the staff look forward to our continued service to Pima County.

Don't hesitate to contact me at 602-252-6563 extension 225 with any questions or to discuss any issues in which AACo may provide you assistance.

Sincerely,

Nicole W. Stickler  
Executive Director

cc: Pima County Elected Officials