Proclamation

WHEREAS, Maria Syms is a Town Resident who in 2016 was elected to represent District 28 in the House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Maria has served the Town of Paradise Valley for 12 years. In 2003, she was appointed to the Planning Commission serving two terms as Chairperson. In 2012, Maria took time off from community service to obtain a master's degree from Harvard University. When she returned from Massachusetts, she ran for council and has served as council member for two years; and

WHEREAS, Maria's accomplishments throughout her career on the Planning Commission and Town Council are numerous, impactful and lasting. While on the Planning Commission, she provided a steady voice of knowledge, experience and shared community values. She was an advocate for preserving our residential character, being fiscally responsible, and keeping an open line of communication with Town residents; and

WHEREAS, while on the Council, Maria made public safety her top priority. As the council liaison of the Advisory Committee on Public Safety, Maria supported increasing police presence on Town streets and equipping our police vehicles with state of the art technology to improve response time.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael Collins, Mayor of the Town of Paradise Valley, do hereby recognize

Representative Maria Syms

and do hereby extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for her many years of service to our community, and extend our best wishes as she takes on the role of Arizona State House Representative.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Town of Paradise Valley this 12th day of January, 2017.

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