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To: All Members, U.S. House of Representatives
RE: H.R. 1904, "Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act"

Dear Representative,

On behalf of the Property Rights Alliance, I urge you to support **H.R. 1904, the "Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act,"** sponsored by Rep. Paul Gosar (R-AZ). This bill allows the Resolution Copper Mine in Southeastern Arizona to swap land with the federal government to begin mining operations.

Most importantly, passing this bill will create over 3,700 jobs, paying over \$220 million in direct and indirect wages annually over the mine's 40-year lifetime. The net result will be an economic benefit to the state of Arizona, creating over \$40 billion in economic activity. At a time when the U.S. finds itself in a crisis of debt, economic stagnation and unemployment, we cannot pass up this opportunity.

Additionally, the mine would be able to create over one billion pounds of copper per year, or nearly 25% of the forecasted U.S. demand in the upcoming decades. This is particularly important as the U.S. increasingly uses copper for microchips, buildings and green energy. Increasing our domestic supply of this resource makes us less dependent on other countries while lowering the prices of the many goods that use copper.

The Resolution Mine is a win for taxpayers, a win for consumers and a win for the economy. Supporting this bill means the creation of jobs, economic growth and a sounder fiscal situation. **On behalf of the Property Rights Alliance, I once again urge you to support this bill.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelsey Zahourek". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Kelsey Zahourek
Executive Director