RESOLUTION NO. R2023-056

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUMA, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF YUMA AND YUMA CROSSING NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA CORPORATION FOR THE CITY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 180 WEST 1ST STREET FOR OFFICE SPACE USE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE LEASE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Yuma ("City") is authorized, pursuant to the Yuma City Charter, Article III, Section 2, to lease City-owned property as the public interest of the City may require and as would be of public benefit; and,

WHEREAS, the City owns real property at 180 West 1st Street ("City Property") known as the Heritage Center (Historic City Hall) which is currently leased to Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Corporation ("YCNHAC"); and,

WHEREAS, since 2002, the City has leased the City Property to YCNHAC for use as office space, to provide in-kind local match for federal funds being received by the YCNHAC, and for the purposes of maintaining the City Property; and,

WHEREAS, the YCNHAC desires to continue to lease the City Property for its administrative office space, to utilize the in-kind value of the City Property as a match for federal funds received by the YCNHAC, and to maintain the City Property; and,

WHEREAS, authorizing the lease agreement supports the YCNHAC's activities relating to updating and implementing the Plan for the YCNHAC and provides a revenue stream to YCNHAC from tenant sublease agreements to help YCNHAC pay for the maintenance and upkeep of the City Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Yuma as follows:

<u>SECTION 1</u>: The City Council finds that leasing the City Property to YCNHAC is in the public interest of the City and would be of public benefit.

<u>SECTION 2</u>: The lease attached as Exhibit A and incorporated as part of this Resolution, is approved for signature by the City Administrator on behalf of the City of Yuma.

APPROVED:

Douglas J. Nicholls Mayor

ATTESTED:

Lynda L. Bushong City Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Richard W. Files City Attorney