



STATE OF COLORADO     )  
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COUNTY OF PHILLIPS    )

RESOLUTION No. 2023-05-19-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PHILLIPS COUNTY, COLORADO, IN SUPPORT OF ADVANCE COLORADO AND ITS COMMENCEMENT OF LITIGATION CONCERNING SENATE BILL 23-303 AND PROPOSITION HH.**

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 23-303 was hastily enacted by the General Assembly on the last day of the 2023 legislative session without prior consultation with local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 23-303 purports to provide tax relief but would give only a 0.5% reduction in the assessment rate in the first year while simultaneously taking away TABOR refunds, with the result being that more tax relief is withheld from taxpayers than is saved by reduced property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, a portion of Senate Bill 23-303 requires the Secretary of State to refer a ballot measure to the voters (Proposition HH) which asks whether property taxes should be reduced in exchange for voter approval of the state's retention and spending of excess state revenues; and

**WHEREAS**, as constructed, Proposition HH creates the illusion that the state's retention and spending of excess state revenue will be used to backfill and offset the local government's lost revenue caused by reduced property taxes ; and

**WHEREAS**, Advance Colorado is seeking the support of counties and special districts in filing a lawsuit that challenges the legality of Proposition HH and the deception it involves.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT resolved** by the Board of County Commissioners of Phillips County Colorado that Phillips County supports and joins in the efforts of Advance Colorado to contest the legality of Proposition HH before it is submitted to the voters during the upcoming November election, and encourages Advance Colorado to press forward with those efforts on our behalf.

**THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS, ON A MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, ADOPTED THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD OF PHILLIPS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.**

ATTEST:

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COUNTY OF PHILLIPS, COLORADO

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