



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-23

**SUPPORTING UTAH v UNITED STATES LEGAL ACTION
AS SET FORTH IN UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT DOCKET NO. 220160**

WHEREAS, after decades of legal analysis and attempts to seek relief through other means, the State of Utah filed a landmark public lands lawsuit on August 20, 2024 asking the U.S. Supreme Court to address whether the federal government can constitutionally hold unappropriated lands within a State indefinitely;

WHEREAS, the scope of Utah's lawsuit applies only to the federally held land that is "unappropriated", meaning that the United States simply holds the land without any designated purpose;

WHEREAS, the scope of Utah's lawsuit DOES NOT INCLUDE appropriated public land designated as national parks, national monuments, wilderness areas, national forests, Tribal lands, or military properties;

WHEREAS, although Utah's lawsuit is specific to the 18.5 million acres of unappropriated land within Utah administered by the United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM), it is imperative that the Court answer the vital legal questions in this case as they inherently apply to all of the 245 million acres of unappropriated land administered by the BLM in 11 Western states, Alaska, the Dakotas, and a few Eastern States as well.

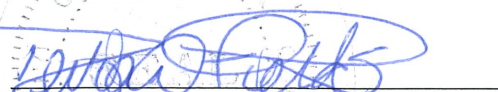
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Commissioners of Union County, in the State of New Mexico supports Utah's legal action as a co-signor of the Amicus Brief to be filed at the U.S. Supreme Court by the American Lands Council.

APPROVED on this 10th day of October, 2024. BY THE BOARD OF

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR Union County, State of New Mexico.


Signature of Chairman of the Board

ATTESTED BY:


County Clerk

