

# *Resolution*

## *Interstate Mining Compact Commission*

***BE IT KNOWN THAT:***

***WHEREAS***, Joe Balash served the American people as Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management through August, 2019;

***WHEREAS***, the states of the Interstate Mining Compact Commission had many interactions with Joe Balash during his service as Assistant Secretary on policy matters of great importance to the effective regulation, reclamation and restoration of mined lands in America;

***WHEREAS***, as Assistant Secretary, Joe Balash was willing to listen to state mining regulators and consider their perspectives;

***WHEREAS***, as Assistant Secretary, Joe Balash provided opportunities for the states to participate meaningfully in the state-federal partnership under the Surface Mine Control and Reclamation Act of 1977;

***WHEREAS***, as Assistant Secretary, Joe Balash was a champion of cooperative federalism;

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:***

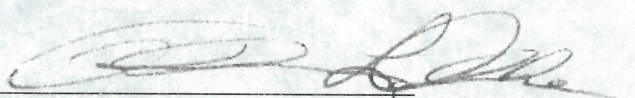
That the states of the Interstate Mining Compact Commission appreciate Joe Balash for his service as Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; and

That the states of the Interstate Mining Compact Commission sincerely wish Joe Balash much success in his future endeavors.



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ATTEST:

  
Executive Director