

DESERT AND MOUNTAIN CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: July 17, 2009

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item XII: Consideration of resolution supporting HR 1831, Conservation Easement Incentive Act.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution supporting HR 1831, Conservation Easement Incentive Act.

Background: The 2008 Farm Bill extended a 2006 incentive that enables family farmers, ranchers, and other moderate-income landowners to get a significant tax benefit for donating a conservation easement on their land.