**Transcript of Interview with Carolyn Rayroux by James Rayroux**

**Interviewee:** Carolyn Rayroux

**Interviewer:** James Rayroux

**Date:** 02/21/2021

**Location (Interviewee):** Carlsbad, New Mexico

**Location (Interviewer):**

**Abstract:** At 0930 hours on 02-21-2021, I asked my stepmother for her perspective a positive outcome of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**James Rayroux** 0:00

My name is James Rayroux and I’m a graduate student intern with the COVID19 archive at Arizona State University. Today, is February 21st, 2021, at 0930 hours, and I’m speaking with Carolyn Rayroux. Carolyn, I first- I want to ask about your pandemic experience, but before I do, I first need your informed consent to record and publish your response to the COVID-19 archive. The COVID-19 archive is a digital archive at Arizona State University that is collecting pandemic experiences. Do I have your consent to record your response, and add it to the publicly accessible archive with your name?

**Carolyn Rayroux** 0:43

Yes, you do.

**James Rayroux** 0:44

Can you start by telling me your, uh, full name, your age, race, and where you live?

**Carolyn Rayroux** 0:52

Okay, full name is Carolyn Rayroux. I am sixty-six years old. I live in Carlsbad, New Mexico, and I am a Caucasian.

**James Rayroux** 1:02

I have just one quick question about the pandemic. We’ve experienced a lot of negative and disruptive changes in the last year, but maybe not everything’s been bad. What’s one thing that’s happened in your life during the pandemic that’s actually been a positive or beneficial experience?

**Carolyn Rayroux** 1:21

Well, mostly, I think people have come back together as- that’s probably the most positive thing, you know, as, as, looking at that direction.

**James Rayroux** 1:33

Thank you so much for your time today, and for contributing to this digital public archive and helping us document this moment in history.