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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

January 15, 2020

TO:

FROM:

Richard Elías, Chairman and District Five Supervisor

Item for the January 21, 200

REGARDING: Item for the January 21, 2020 agenda addendum

Please add the following to the January 21, 2020 agenda addendum:

Proclamation

Proclaiming Wednesday, January 22, 2020, to be "TucsonSentinel.com Day" to recognize TucsonSentinel.com's 10th anniversary as an online publication.

Thank you

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a robust free press is essential to the exercise of democracy; and

WHEREAS, quality reporting at the local and national levels has been challenged by a shrinking pool of professionals in the field; and

WHEREAS, nonpartisan watchdog reporting is a vital mechanism to hold public officials accountable; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit news organization TucsonSentinel.com has established a national reputation for delivering solid, hard-hitting local news and is a leader in the vanguard of Local Independent Online News Publishers; and

WHEREAS, the reporters of TucsonSentinel.com have won numerous state and national awards and recognition for their public-service journalism; and

WHEREAS, TucsonSentinel.com has completed its tenth year of full-time publishing, in that time posting more than 25,000 stories and informing thousands of southern Arizona readers every day; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the impact that local reporting has on our knowledge of our community and on others' perceptions of Tucson, Pima County and southern Arizona; and

WHEREAS, a smarter Tucson is a better Tucson and a smarter Pima County is a better Pima County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Wednesday, January 22, 2020, to be:

"TUCSONSENTINEL.COM DAY"

and urges the residents of Pima County to recognize the importance of local independent journalism.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of January 2020.

| | Richard Elías, Chairman pard of Supervisors | |
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| ATTEST: | | |
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| Julie Castañeda Pima County Bo | a, Clerk pard of Supervisors | |