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MEMORANDUM


DATE: November 15, 2016
TO: Robin Brigode, Clerk of the Board
FROM: Richard Elías, District Five Supervisor 
REGARDING: Item for the November 22, 2016 agenda addendum

Please add the following to the November 22, 2016 agenda addendum:

Proclamation

Declaring December 2016 to be "Project Period Month." (District 5)

Thank you

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for women and others who menstruate, and live in or near poverty, the cost of feminine hygiene products is a significant financial burden; and

WHEREAS, the average lifetime cost of menstruation-related supplies is nearly \$20,000 per person; and

WHEREAS, for the homeless, the problem is compounded by lack of access to safe sanitary places; and

WHEREAS, food stamps and insurance do not cover the cost of menstrual supplies; and

WHEREAS, unlike food and other necessary items, these items are subject to sales taxes; and

WHEREAS, those without access to feminine hygiene products miss school and work; and

WHEREAS, lack of appropriate feminine hygiene care is linked to reproductive-tract infections, infertility, ectopic pregnancy and even cervical cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the month of December 2016 to be:

“PROJECT PERIOD MONTH”

and encourages all Pima County residents to support the YWCA of Southern Arizona’s Project Period, become involved with this critical health care issue, and donate tampons, sanitary pads and other feminine hygiene products to the YWCA for distribution to those in need.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of November 2016.

The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Robin Brigode, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors