PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, although the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson have been serving Tucson's most at-risk youth since 1957, the Clubs actually recognize 2013 as the 50th year anniversary. It was in 1963 when two "Boys Clubs" were combined to create the Boys Clubs of Tucson; and

WHEREAS, more than 30 years ago, the Boys Clubs of Tucson were instrumental in the movement to combine the Boys Clubs with the Girls Clubs and in the process helped foster a movement where all the Boys Clubs became Boys & Girls Clubs both locally and nationally; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson have continued to focus on our community's most at-risk youth by providing safe environments and a positive place for youth, especially after school when youth are most at risk; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs not only serve more than 6,000 members of the Clubs, but by being proactive, serve an estimated 13,000 kids in the Tucson community by offering a proven youth development strategy; and

WHEREAS, although the Boys & Girls Clubs provide \$5 memberships for youth ages 7 to 17 during the school year and \$5 during the summer, the Clubs never turn anyone away for an inability to pay. Youths unable to pay the fee may instead complete a community service project; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs continue to look for positive ways to engage other youth service agencies, school districts, and the business community through the use of its modern facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors recognizes and honors

"BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF TUCSON DAY"

on November 16, 2013, and encourages everyone to join in the celebration by visiting one of the Clubs' six strategically located Clubhouses and learning how the Clubs benefit our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of November, 2013.

ATTEST:	Chairman, Pima County Board of Supervisors
Clerk of the Board	