

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** April 22, 2022

**TO:** Melissa Manriquez, Clerk of the Board

**FROM:** Adelita S. Grijalva, District 5 Supervisor

**REGARDING:** Item for the May 3, 2022 Addendum

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Please add the following to the May 3, 2022 addendum:

**Proclamation**

Proclaiming the week of May 23, 2022 through May 29, 2022 to be "Period Poverty Awareness Week." (District 5)

Thank you

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## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, access to menstrual products is a basic human need for menstruators; and

**WHEREAS**, menstrual equity means everyone who gets a period deserves to have access to menstrual products so they can be fully active in society, be healthy and succeed at school and work; and

**WHEREAS**, local, state and federal government policies often cause or exacerbate inequitable access to menstrual products by imposing sales taxes on them, limiting access to these products, exempting menstrual products from public health benefits programs and not making these products uniformly available in public places such as schools and homeless shelters; and

**WHEREAS**, period poverty disproportionately impacts Black and Latinx people; and

**WHEREAS**, Pima County is home to trusted, community-based organizations such as the Diaper Bank of Southern Arizona — a member of the Alliance for Period Supplies — that recognize the importance of period products in ensuring health and providing economic stability and thus distribute period products through various channels; and

**WHEREAS**, these period supply banks serve on the front lines to serve Pima County residents by helping families in our communities weather crises.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the week of May 23 through May 29, 2022, to be:

### **“PERIOD POVERTY AWARENESS WEEK”**

and thanks local period supply banks and their staff members, volunteers and donors for their service to the community and encourages Pima County residents to donate generously to period supply banks, product drives and those organizations that collect and distribute period products to those in need.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 3rd day of May 2022.

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The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Melissa Manriquez, Clerk  
Pima County Board of Supervisors