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# **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

September 29, 2020

TO:

Julie Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

FROM:

Betty July Betty Villegas, District Five Supervisor

**REGARDING:** Item for the October, 2020 agenda

Please add the following to the October 20, 2020 agenda:

#### **Proclamation**

Proclaiming Thursday, October 22, 2020, to be "Wear Purple Day." (District 5)

Thank you

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## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence occurs in epidemic proportions across the United States, affecting an estimated 6.2 million people each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pima County Sheriff's Department and the Tucson Police Department responded to more than 15,500 domestic-violence calls in the last year; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic abuse causes untold trauma to children and adults in our community and harms families physically, emotionally, and economically; and

**WHEREAS**, October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month across the United States, as signified by the wearing of the color purple to remind people that we must halt this dangerous and deadly epidemic; and

**WHEREAS**, Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse, Pima County, the Pima County Attorney's Office, the Pima County Sheriff's Department, the City of Tucson, and other partners are committed to a comprehensive response to end domestic violence in our community.

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

### "WEAR PURPLE DAY"

in honor of the Paint Pima Purple Campaign of Domestic Violence Awareness Month and encourages all Pima County residents to wear an article of purple clothing or a purple ribbon on Wear Purple Day to raise awareness of domestic abuse, to stand in solidarity with domestic abuse victims, and to support an end to the epidemic of domestic violence.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 20th day of October 2020.

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