

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 10, 2025
TO: Melissa Manriquez, Clerk of the Board
FROM: Adelita S. Grijalva, Vice Chair, District 5
REGARDING: Item for the March 18, 2025, Agenda Addendum

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Proclamation

Proclaiming the month of March 2025 to be “**Red Cross Month in Pima County**” (District 5)

Thank you

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, this March, we celebrate American Red Cross Month by recognizing the compassionate acts of people in Pima County and by renewing our commitment to lend a helping hand to our neighbors; and

WHEREAS, since Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross, more than 140 years ago, generation after generation has stepped up to deliver relief and care across our country and around the world, bringing out the best of humanity in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, advancing this mission, Red Cross volunteers, blood and platelet donors and supporters who now give back through the American Red Cross Southern Arizona Chapter remain unwavering in their commitment to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of today's emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Red Cross has responded to a devastating series of natural disasters, providing aid to those in need; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, over 60 Pima County Red Cross volunteers responded to the catastrophic wildfires and subsequent flash floods in Ruidoso, New Mexico. Later in the year, Pima County Red Cross volunteers deployed to the East Coast to assist communities impacted by hurricanes Milton and Helene, offering care, comfort, and emergency services; and

WHEREAS, most recently, Pima County American Red Cross volunteers mobilized to help those affected by the destructive and deadly wildfires in the Los Angeles area; and

WHEREAS, every day, over 500 ordinary individuals lend a helping hand to make an extraordinary difference for neighbors in need; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers' generous contributions shine a beacon of hope on people's darkest hours — whether it's delivering shelter, food and comfort during disasters; providing critical blood donations for hospital patients; supporting service members, veterans and their families; saving lives with first aid, CPR, AED and other skills; or delivering international aid and reconnecting loved ones separated by global crises; and

WHEREAS, this work to uplift our community is truly made possible by those who selflessly answer the call to help, whenever and wherever it's needed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the month of March 2025 to be:

“RED CROSS MONTH IN PIMA COUNTY”

and encourages all citizens of Pima County to reach out and support its humanitarian mission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of March 2025.

The Honorable Rex Scott, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Melissa Manriquez, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors