

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 6, 2024
TO: Melissa Manriquez, Clerk of the Board
FROM: Adelita Grijalva, Chair and District Five Supervisor
REGARDING: Item for the December 17, 2024, Agenda Addendum

K. Bequell, for

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Proclamation

Declaring January 22 through January 24, 2025, to be “Arizona Photonics Days.” (District 5)

Thank you

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Tucson is home to world-class businesses and scientific and educational institutions with decades of innovation and leadership in optics and photonics; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arizona Wyant College of Optical Sciences is one of the premier educational and research institutions in optics and photonics; and

WHEREAS, Tucson companies and organizations are on the leading edge of optics and photonics technology used in astronomy, medicine, advanced manufacturing, automation, metrology, clean energy, communications, and quantum computing; and

WHEREAS, Optics Valley, a committee of the Arizona Technology Council, is the Tucson industry cluster that facilitates Arizona's leadership through business acceleration, workforce development, startup support, and connections to local and global opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Optics Valley mission is to catalyze, convene and connect optics and photonics and the supporting business interests throughout Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the annual Arizona Photonics Days conference in Tucson brings together Arizona optics companies, the Global Photonics Alliance and international industry leaders to connect and learn about innovations in technology and applications in the science of light; and

WHEREAS, Arizona Photonics Days, January 22 to January 24, 2025, is an opportunity to recognize advocates and supporters committed to both the science and industry of optics and photonics in Southern Arizona and beyond.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims January 22 through January 24, 2025, to be:

"ARIZONA PHOTONICS DAYS"

and encourages everyone in Pima County to learn more about the science of light.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of December 2024.

The Honorable Adelita S. Grijalva, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Melissa Manriquez, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors