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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 18, 2017

TO: Julie Castañeda
Clerk of the Board

FROM: Steve Christy
District 4 Supervisor 

SUBJECT: Agenda Item

Please place the following item on the Agenda for the Board of Supervisors meeting on November 7, 2017.

Proclamation

Presentation of a Proclamation to Major George Ophoff, Commander of the Arizona Ranger's Madera Company on the Arizona Ranger's 60th Anniversary, proclaiming Nov. 22 to be Arizona Rangers Day in Pima County, and recognizing its members for their dedicated service to our community.

Thank you.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the law enforcement organization known as the Territorial Arizona Rangers was created by Arizona Territorial Governor Nathan Oakes Murphy and established in law by the Twenty-First Legislative Assembly in March 1901; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Rangers were the first, and sometimes the only, line of defense for the residents of Arizona, putting their lives on the line every day as our peace officers throughout the state do today; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Rangers were disbanded in 1909 only to be re-established in 1957 as an outstanding volunteer organization still dedicated to the public safety and welfare of its fellow citizens, and to preserving the history of the original guardians of our state; and

WHEREAS, the current Arizona Rangers consist of caring neighbors and friends who have an unselfish devotion to the ideals and values that have always made our state great, and who volunteer countless hours through their many Arizona Ranger companies by providing valuable assistance to law enforcement agencies across the state in operations of search and rescue, disaster sites, traffic and crowd control, and vital DUI task forces, as well as being there at our toughest times; when one of Arizona's finest has fallen, having made the ultimate sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the Madera Company of the Arizona Rangers has provided, and continues to provide, significant and professional support to law enforcement agencies throughout Southern Arizona whenever and wherever called; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Rangers provide time, energy, and financial resources for numerous youth activities and charitable events that depend on the services of these dedicated men and women; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Rangers serve as a constant reminder of the tradition and honor of our state's original heroes by keeping alive our rich and colorful Western heritage while at the same time serving as models of unmatched patriotism for our state and our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Wednesday, November 22, 2017, to be:

"ARIZONA RANGERS DAY"

and urges all citizens to express their gratitude and appreciation to its dedicated members, the ***Few But Proud, Then and Now***, for their unwavering public service to Pima County and the State of Arizona.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of November 2017.

The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Julie Castañeda, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors