PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Drowning Impact Awareness month will raise awareness that the number and impact of child drownings in Arizona affects everyone; and

WHEREAS, the drowning incidents in Arizona take the lives of the equivalent of a classroom of children each year; and

WHEREAS, a child drowning can happen to any family regardless of education, race or socio-economic background; and

WHEREAS, families can take simple steps to protect their children around water to avoid the tragedy of the unnecessary loss of life; and

WHEREAS, water safety remains a priority for Arizona families, communities, and government, and the Drowning Prevention Coalition of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, this is the tenth anniversary of Water Watchers at Phoenix Children's Hospital spearheading the August Drowning Impact Awareness Month proclamations in an effort to raise awareness and increase understanding and education of effective ways to prevent drownings in Arizona.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim August 1, 2013 through August 31, 2013, to be:

"DROWNING IMPACT AWARENESS MONTH"

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of August, 2013.