



# MEMORANDUM

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Date: January 10, 2024

To: Melissa Manriquez, Clerk of the Board  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Dr. Sylvia M. Lee *SML*  
District 3, Supervisor  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

Re: Agenda Item for January 23, 2024

Please place the following item on the Consent Calendar for the Board of Supervisors meeting on January 23, 2024.

### **New Business**

Proclamation stating that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims January 25, 2024, to be "Chief Jeff Piechura Day."

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Jeff Piechura became the Northwest Fire District's first Fire Chief in November of 1988 and served in that position for 24 years; and

**WHEREAS**, during his time, Chief Piechura led the expansion of the Fire District to serve the growing community; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Piechura retired from the Northwest Fire District in 2012, yet continued his career in service with the Stockton, California Fire Department; Sedona, Arizona Fire District; and as a Public Safety Advisor to the City of Tucson; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Piechura flew air tactical group supervisor "Air Attack" missions over Arizona and several other states for decades and his actions helped save countless homes, unknown acres of natural habitat, and protected the lives of thousands of wildland firefighters working on the front lines; and

**WHEREAS**, On July 10, 2021, Jeff Piechura was one of the individuals who died in a plane crash near Wikieup, Arizona while battling the Cedar Basin Fire. Piechura was working on a contracted assignment with the U.S. Forest Service at the time of the incident.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Thursday, January 25, 2024, to be:

## "CHIEF JEFF PIECHURA DAY"

and on this day, encourages all citizens of Pima County to join by expressing gratitude for Jeff's service, commitment to the greater good, and all that he taught others over the years.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 23rd day of January 2024.

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

ATTEST:

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Melissa Manriquez, Clerk  
Pima County Board of Supervisors