

# MEMORANDUM

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

Date: April 22, 2025

Re: Agenda Item for May 6, 2025 Meeting

From: Rex Scott  
District 1 Supervisor  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

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Please place the following item on the agenda for the Board of Supervisors meeting May 6, 2025.

Proclamation for Heat Awareness Week

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the second week of May has been designated as Heat Awareness Week to raise awareness of the risk of extreme heat, and to provide information about preparedness actions to prevent heat-related illness and death; and

**WHEREAS**, 2024 was the warmest year on record globally, with increasing temperatures continuing to threaten the health and safety of Pima County residents; and

**WHEREAS**, extreme heat waves during the summer months pose one of the biggest weather-related threats to life in the State of Arizona and are the leading weather-related killer nationally; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2024, there were 101 heat-related deaths in Pima County; and

**WHEREAS**, heat-related deaths and illnesses are preventable through awareness, preparedness, community resilience and effective intervention strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, extreme heat disproportionately affects our most vulnerable populations, including older adults, children, people of color, individuals experiencing homelessness, low-income individuals, and those with heart disease, diabetes, respiratory illness, and other health conditions which are particularly susceptible to heat; and

**WHEREAS**, Pima County is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of its workforce, particularly those impacted by extreme heat conditions, through policies, resources and protective measures aimed at mitigating heat-related risks; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pima County Health Department, in collaboration with local partners and stakeholders, continues to strengthen efforts to protect residents from the dangers of extreme heat.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the week of May 5 through May 9, 2025, to be:

## "HEAT AWARENESS WEEK"

to raise awareness about the dangers of extreme heat, promote preventative measures, and encourage community-wide efforts to protect the health and safety of all residents. Pima County, in collaboration with local partners and stakeholders, will continue to strengthen efforts to protect residents from the dangers of extreme heat through coordinated initiatives, public awareness campaigns and resource distribution aimed at reducing heat-related illness and death.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 6th day of May 2025.

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The Honorable Rex Scott, Chair  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Melissa Manriquez, Clerk  
Pima County Board of Supervisors