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MEMORANDUM

TO: Julie Castaneda, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FR: Sharon Bronson, Board of Supervisors
DT: April 25, 2017
RE: Agenda item for May 16, 2017 meeting

Please place the following items on the agenda for the Board of Supervisors meeting on May 16, 2017.

New Business

Proclamation stating that the Pima County Board of Supervisors, hereby proclaims May 15-19, 2017, as National Senior Corps Week.

Discussion/Action

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS older Americans bring a lifetime of skills and experience as parents, workers and citizens that can be tapped to meet challenges in our communities; and

WHEREAS for more than four decades the Corporation for National and Community Service's two Senior Corps programs – SCP (Senior Companion Program), and FGP (Foster Grandparent Program) – have proven to be highly effective ways to engage Americans ages 55 and over in meeting national and community needs; and

WHEREAS each year Senior Corps provides opportunities for nearly 270,000 older Americans across the nation, including approximately 86 of Senior Corps Volunteers in Pima County to serve their community; and

WHEREAS each year Senior Corps provides opportunities for nearly 330,000 older Americans across the nation, including 44 Senior Companion Program Volunteers serving approximately 350 clients, and 42 Foster Grandparent Program Volunteers serving 275 students in Southern Arizona; and

WHEREAS Senior Corps volunteers build capacity in organizations and communities by serving through more than 65,000 nonprofit, community, educational, and faith-based community groups nationwide; and

WHEREAS at a time of mounting social needs and growing interest in service by older Americans, there is an unprecedented opportunity to harness the talents of volunteers over age 55 to address community challenges; and

WHEREAS service by older Americans helps volunteers by keeping them active, engaged, and healthy; helps our communities by solving local problems, and helps our nation by saving taxpayer dollars, reducing healthcare costs and strengthening our democracy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the week of May 15 through May 19, 2017 to be:

“NATIONAL SENIOR CORPS WEEK”

and urges all Pima County citizens to recognize Senior Corps volunteers and programs for their valuable impact on our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of May 2017.

The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Julie Castañeda, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors