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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** May 27, 2016  
**TO:** Robin Brigode, Clerk of the Board  
**FROM:** Richard Elías, District Five Supervisor *RE*  
**REGARDING:** Item for the June 7, 2016 agenda addendum

Please add the following to the June 7, 2016 agenda addendum:

**Proclamation**

Declaring June 20, 2016 to be “World Refugee Day,” to honor the many thousands of refugees who fled violence and persecution to now call Pima County their home. (District 5)

Thank you

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# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, international refugees are forced to flee their native countries to escape persecution and terror in their homelands; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States is the receiving country for many of these refugees in part because immigrants, descendants of immigrants, and refugees constitute a majority of residents of this nation, and their courage and perseverance have enabled them to make countless contributions to our communities and the nation as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, Pima County and the State of Arizona welcome and embrace the men, women and children who seek to rebuild their lives here and to join our businesses, our schools, our neighborhoods and our churches, synagogues and mosques; and

**WHEREAS**, as a county, state and nation we must continue to uphold the tradition of offering assistance to the world's most vulnerable and persecuted; and

**WHEREAS**, the celebration of World Refugee Day is an example of the support that the people of Pima County provide to our new residents;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Monday, June 20, 2016, to be:

## **“WORLD REFUGEE DAY”**

and encourages all Pima County residents to acknowledge and celebrate the diversity of our world and our county, and to attend a free family celebration of this day on Saturday, June 18, at Catalina High School, 3645 E. Pima Street, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 7th day of June 2016.

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The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Robin Brigode, Clerk  
Pima County Board of Supervisors