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# **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

May 13, 2015

TO:

FROM:

Richard Elías, District Five Supervisor

**REGARDING:** 

Item for the May 19, 2015 agenda addendum

Please add the following to the May 19, 2015 agenda addendum:

#### **Proclamation**

Declaring May 19, 2015 to be "National Hepatitis C Testing Day." (District 5)

Thank you

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Hepatitis C, an infectious disease that attacks the liver and often leads to cirrhosis, liver failure, liver cancer or other deadly conditions, continues to impact the lives of people of all ages living and working in Pima County; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Hepatitis C Testing Day is a strategic effort to raise the visibility of Hepatitis C in communities and to help promote and sponsor prevention activities including counseling and testing; and

WHEREAS, a coalition of local agencies including Banner University Medical Center, COPE Community Services, Inc., El Rio Community Health Center, CODAC Behavioral Health Living Out Loud, National Community Health Partners, Pima County Health Department, Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation, and the University of Arizona's Peterson Clinic is sponsoring a National Hepatitis C Testing Day in Pima County; and

**WHEREAS**, these agencies and Pima County are among more than 1,000 institutions and 350 government entities across the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands to celebrate National Hepatitis C Testing Day;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Tuesday, May 19, 2015, to be:

#### "NATIONAL HEPATITIS C TESTING DAY"

and encourages all Pima County residents to help improve the lives of those with Hepatitis C, and to get involved in the fight to end the spread of Hepatitis C by participating with their friends and families in getting tested on May 19, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. at COPE Community Services, Inc. or at Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation. There will also be testing from 7 a.m. to noon downtown near Pennington and Stone, and at Santa Rita Park, around 22nd Street and Third Avenue.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 19th day of May 2015.

The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair Pima County Board of Supervisors
ATTEST:
Robin Brigode, Clerk Pima County Board of Supervisors