

July 22, 2016

The Honorable Robin Brigode Pima County Board of Supervisors 130 W. Congress St., 11th Floor Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Ms. Brigode:

On behalf of the Tucson-Pima County Historical Commission, we would like to inform you that the celebration of Tucson's 241<sup>st</sup> Birthday will take place on Friday, August 19, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., in the courtyard of the Presidio San Agustín del Tucson in downtown Tucson. We are changing the focus of this year's celebration to highlight Tucson's important food heritage as evidenced by the designation of the City of Tucson as a City of Gastronomy by UNESCO. We will not have the joint proclamation signing by various jurisdictions as in the past, but do want proclamations to be provided – one will be read and the others will be displayed during the event. We would also like to invite the Chairman of the Board or his/her designee to say a few words on behalf of Pima County at the beginning of the ceremony.

The Commission would, therefore requests a proclamation from Pima County to be received at the August 2, 2016 Board of Supervisors meeting. Tucson-Pima County Historical Commission Member Sharon Chadwick, will be at the Board of Supervisors' meeting to accept the proclamation. Past contributions of the Pima County Board of Supervisors to Tucson's birthday celebrations have been greatly appreciated and enjoyed by all in attendance.

We hope to see members of the Pima County Board of Supervisors on August 19, 2016, and will be inviting them by separate communications. Please contact Ana Juarez of the City Clerk's Office at (520) 791-4213 or by email at <a href="mailto:Ana.Juarez@tucsonaz.gov">Ana.Juarez@tucsonaz.gov</a> to confirm the proclamation details or if you have questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

Teresita Majewski, Chair

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Tucson-Pima County Historical Commission

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cc: Michael Ortega, City Manager

Michael Rankin, City Attorney Roger W. Randolph, City Clerk

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tucson has a past of great antiquity, having been first a settlement of Native Americans more than 2,000 years ago; and

**WHEREAS**, Lt. Col. Hugh O'Conor of the Royal Spanish Army, on August 20, 1775, established the Presidio San Agustín del Tucson within the boundaries of the area presently surrounded on the north by Washington Street, on the east by Church Avenue, on the south by Pennington Street, and on the west by Main Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the flags of the Tohono O'odham Nation, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Spain, Mexico, the Confederacy, the United States and Arizona have been raised within the "Ancient and Honorable Pueblo"; and

**WHEREAS**, this community is dedicated to the preservation of its heritage, architecture, historically significant sites and its diverse cultures and traditions; and

**WHEREAS,** Arizonans should remember the gallant deeds of all our forebears and commemorate them with an appropriate ceremony;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the month of August and the day of August 19th as the time for all residents of Pima County to observe:

## "THE 241ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF TUCSON"

and participate in the ceremonies and activities that commemorate this event.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of August 2016.

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