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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 6, 2017

TO: Julie Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

FROM: Richard Elías, District Five Supervisor

REGARDING: Item for the March 21, 2017 agenda

Please add the following to the March 21, 2017 agenda:

Proclamation

Declaring 2017 to be "The Year of the Hummingbird." (District 5)

Thank you

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Pima County's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan and Multi-Species Conservation Plan demonstrate the County's fundamental commitment to conservation of native wildlife species and their habitats; and

WHEREAS, Pima County owns and manages parks and conservation areas throughout the region, many of which were acquired using voter-approved bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Tucson Audubon Society has been an active partner with Pima County for more than six decades on wildlife conservation, with an emphasis on bird species; and

WHEREAS, Pima County residents spend hundreds of thousands of hours and millions of dollars enjoying birds and other wildlife in parks and backyards each year, significantly benefitting our quality of life as well as the local economy; and

WHEREAS, more than 12 species of hummingbirds are found in Pima County, all of which are magnificent and accessible bird species that are enjoyed year round; and

WHEREAS, the Tucson Audubon Society has designated 2017 as "The Year of the Hummingbird" and encourages the celebration and conservation of these wonderful birds by establishing Hummingbird Hot Spots across the County, including in native habitat in backyards, through its Habitat at Home Program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the year of 2017 to be:

"THE YEAR OF THE HUMMINGBIRD"

and establishes Roy P. Drachman Agua Caliente Park as an official Hummingbird Hot Spot, and encourages all Pima County residents to participate in this celebration of hummingbirds.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of March 2017.

The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Julie Castañeda, Clerk Pima County Board of Supervisors