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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 26, 2018

TO: Julie Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

FROM: Richard Elías, Chairman and District Five Supervisor 

REGARDING: Item for the October 2, 2018 agenda addendum

Please add the following to the October 2, 2018 agenda addendum:

Proclamation

Declaring the week of October 7 through October 13 to be "Mental Illness Awareness Week".
(District 5)

Thank you

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Southern Arizona works to support people with mental illness and their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Southern Arizona works to educate the public about mental illness and to end the stigma associated with it that often prevents affected people and their family members from seeking treatment; and

WHEREAS, suicide is the tenth leading cause of death in the United States, resulting in 45,000 deaths per year, and the second leading cause of death for those aged 10 to 34; and

WHEREAS, the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Southern Arizona sponsors the "Ending the Silence" program which discusses mental illness in schools and youth programs around Pima County; and

WHEREAS, the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Southern Arizona will host a candlelight vigil on mental illness recovery and understanding on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at the Reid Park Cancer Survivors Plaza at 6 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Southern Arizona will partner with the Loft Cinema on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 7 p.m. to screen *The S Word*, a documentary focusing on suicide survivors and the families of victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the week of October 7 through October 13, 2018 to be:

"MENTAL ILLNESS AWARENESS WEEK"

and encourages County residents to participate in these Mental Illness Awareness Week activities to increase understanding of mental illness, to end the stigma associated with mental illness, and to learn that living in recovery can be rewarding.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of October 2018.

The Honorable Richard Elías, Chairman
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Julie Castañeda, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors