PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, these organizations celebrate and promote a literate community by supporting and funding enhanced library programs and services the Pima County Public Library system provides:

Friends of the Pima County Public Library Friends of the Arivaca Library Friends of the Kirk-Bear Canyon Library Friends of the Green Valley and Sahuarita Libraries Friends of the Oro Valley Public Library; and

WHEREAS, these organizations promote literacy and provide vital and meaningful support to Pima County Public Library by:

Raising funds to enhance library services and programs Encouraging community involvement and volunteerism Providing valuable community feedback Promoting a love of reading and life-long learning Acting as influential advocates on behalf of public libraries; and

WHEREAS, these organizations have provided generous financial support to Pima County Public Library over the years, including contributions of more than \$430,000 in 2017-2018; and

WHEREAS, these organizations understand the critical importance of well-funded libraries and help to ensure that our library system has the resources it needs to provide all-ages programming, access to a wide array of print and electronic materials, and expert assistance in research, readers' advice, and family-literacy efforts; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing commitment of these organizations, their members, and their volunteers sets an example for how volunteerism leads to positive civic engagement and the betterment of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the week of October 21 to October 27, 2018 to be:

"NATIONAL FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES WEEK"

and encourages community members to join these organizations and to thank them for all they do for our Pima County Public Library and for all residents of Pima County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of October 2018.

The Honorable Richard Elías, Chairman Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Julie Castañeda, Clerk Pima County Board of Supervisors