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# MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** May 29, 2019

**TO:** Julie Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

**FROM:** Richard Elías, Chairman and District Five Supervisor 

**REGARDING:** Item for the June 4, 2019 agenda addendum


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Please add the following to the June 4, 2019 agenda addendum:

### Proclamation

Proclaiming June 14, 2019, to be "World Blood Donor Day." (District 5)

Thank you

  
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## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the American Red Cross has served Arizona for more than a century, and has a Southern Arizona Chapter based in Tucson; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Red Cross and its Southern Arizona Chapter provide an array of disaster relief and assistance, and collect, process and distribute life-saving and life-enhancing blood products; and

**WHEREAS**, someone in the United States needs blood every 2 seconds and this need is constant, not variable; and

**WHEREAS**, blood is perishable, with a shelf life of only 42 days, so the blood supply must be replenished constantly; and

**WHEREAS**, a significant percentage of Red Cross blood collection comes from high schools and colleges, which lack student donors in summers; and

**WHEREAS**, while the Red Cross Southern Arizona Chapter urgently needs all types of blood, it faces a critical shortage of type O blood, the type hospitals need the most.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Friday, June 14, 2019, to be:

### **“WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY”**

and encourages all Pima County residents to donate blood to the Red Cross Southern Arizona Chapter, and notes that they can give again 56 days after a donation.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 4th day of June 2019.

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The Honorable Richard Elías, Chairman  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Julie Castañeda, Clerk  
Pima County Board of Supervisors