



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** June 18, 2020

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

**FROM:** Ramón Valadez, County Supervisor, District 2

**SUBJECT:** Board of Supervisors Agenda Item

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Please place the following item on the June 23, 2020 Agenda Addendum:

Resolution supporting the HEROES Act

District 2/Action/Discussion

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORT OF THE HEALTH AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY OMNIBUS EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS ACT (HEROES ACT), WHICH PROVIDES RELIEF FUNDS TO PIMA COUNTY TO ENSURE THE FINANCIAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH OF PIMA COUNTY BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS.**

WHEREAS, an unprecedented health crisis, which is the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic, has impacted countless communities, families and individuals; and

WHEREAS, partial or full closures of workplaces, schools and places of worship have devastated local economies and communities; and

WHEREAS, the cost of testing for and treating the immediate physical health symptoms of COVID-19 is borne in large part by county public health agencies such as the Pima County Health Department; and

WHEREAS, care for those suffering behavioral health impacts associated with of the spread of COVID-19 such as domestic violence, suicide, financial insecurity and stress, has also been provided by county public health agencies; and

WHEREAS, small businesses, which form the backbone of the Pima County economy, have been hard hit by either mandatory closures or the increased expenses associated with providing health and safety measures to workers and the public; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that Pima County government and the services it provides its citizenry shall be impacted by a loss in revenue; and

WHEREAS, the HEROES Act, which was passed by the United States House of Representatives and awaits consideration by the United States Senate, provides needed funding to Pima County for critical programs including public schools, support for workers and their families, small business support, the acquisition and distribution of personal protective equipment, testing and contact tracing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors urges Senator Kyrsten Sinema and Senator Martha McSally to demand that the Senate hear the HEROES Act and vote in favor of its passage.

Passed by the Board of Supervisors of Pima County this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2020

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Ramón Valadez  
Chairman, Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Julie Castañeda  
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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Andrew L. Flagg  
Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney