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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 13, 2020
TO: Julie Castañeda, Clerk of the Board
FROM: Betty Villegas, District Five Supervisor
REGARDING: Item for the August 17, 2020 agenda

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Please add the following to the August 17, 2020 agenda:

Resolution

A resolution of the Pima County Board of Supervisors Condemning Law Enforcement's Use of Rubber Bullets in Pima County Because They Injure Innocent People's Eyes. (District 5)

Thank you

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RESOLUTION NO. ____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CONDEMNING LAW ENFORCEMENT'S USE OF RUBBER BULLETS IN
PIMA COUNTY BECAUSE THEY INJURE INNOCENT PEOPLE'S EYES**

WHEREAS, the deaths at the hands of law-enforcement of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Eric Garner and others sparked a series of peaceful protests across the country this summer, and in several cases officers fired rubber bullets to disperse protesters, causing eye injuries and blindness, and

WHEREAS, while rubber bullets are designed to be non-lethal, they can cause life-altering injuries, especially to the eyes, and even blindness, when law-enforcement officers fire them, and

WHEREAS, after numerous serious injuries across the country that rubber bullets caused during dispersing of peaceful protests, the American Academy of Ophthalmology called on domestic law enforcement agencies to immediately end the use of rubber bullets, and

WHEREAS, the Academy calls for physicians, public health officials, and the general public to condemn the use of rubber bullets, and

WHEREAS, all people in the United States have the right to speak and protest in public gatherings about issues that are important to them without fear of law enforcement actions that could seriously injure them or even cost them their vision, and

WHEREAS, the Pima County Board of Health is advisory to the Pima County Board of Supervisors and it recommends that the Supervisors act to protect the health of county citizens by condemning the use of all types of rubber bullets in all cases of law enforcement activities in Pima County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby condemns law enforcement's use of rubber bullets for any purpose in Pima County,

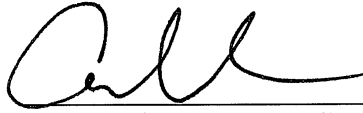
Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Pima County, Arizona, this ____ day of _____, 2020.

Ramón Valadez, Chairman
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Julie Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Andrew Flagg, Deputy County Attorney