

## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: June 23, 2021

To: Julie Castaneda, Clerk of the Board Pima County Board of Supervisors From: Sharon Bronson

District 3 Supervisor, Chair

Pima County Board of Supervisors

Re: Agenda Item for July 6, 2021 Meeting

Please place the following items on the agenda for the Board of Supervisors meeting on July 6, 2021.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Proclamation stating that the Pima County Board of Supervisors, herby proclaims August as Drowning Impact Awareness Month.

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's future prosperity depends upon the long-term health, safety, and well-being of the nearly two million children and teens in our state; and

**WHEREAS**, drowning is a top cause of injury and death for children and teens in Arizona, affecting not only the victims, but also families, emergency personnel, and our society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, child drownings are nearly 100 percent preventable; and

**WHEREAS**, research-proven strategies can save lives, including constant and capable supervision, restricting access to water, use of life jackets, swimming lessons for adults and children at the appropriate age, and rapid emergency response, including CPR; and

**WHEREAS**, awareness of the problem is just the first step; evidence-based programs to bring these strategies to families is the best way to save lives; and

**WHEREAS**, during the month of August, Drowning Prevention Coalition of Arizona, in collaboration with state and local governments, community organizations, and private citizens, will be engaging communities throughout Arizona in a coordinated and comprehensive response.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the month of August 2021 to be:

## "DROWNING IMPACT AWARENESS MONTH"

and urges all communities and citizens of Arizona to participate in efforts to reduce drowning risk, strengthen families, and protect children and teens.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of July 2021.

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