

Proclamation

CITY OF GLENDALE

WHEREAS, Water Safety month will raise awareness that the number and impact of all drownings in Arizona affects everyone; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, there were a total of 157 water related incidents in Maricopa and Pinal Counties resulting in 79 deaths, 24 of which were children; and in Glendale in 2024, there was four water related incidents which resulted in two deaths; and

WHEREAS, a child, teen, or adult drowning can happen to any family regardless of education, race, or socio-economic background; and

WHEREAS, families can take simple steps to protect their children, teens and adult family members around water to avoid the tragedy of the unnecessary loss of life; and

WHEREAS, these simple steps include the A, B, C's of water safety; A: Adult supervision; B: Barriers to include fences with self-closing and self-locking gates; and C: Swimming classes and Coast Guard approved life jackets; and

WHEREAS, keeping children and families healthy and safe is a priority of the Glendale Fire Department, the Glendale Parks and Recreation Department, the city of Glendale, and other prevention institutions in Arizona, and providing education, raising awareness to the need for adult supervision and barriers, and offering swimming classes will increase the understanding of effective ways to prevent drownings.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jerry Weiers, Mayor of the City of Glendale, Arizona, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2025, as:

WATER SAFETY MONTH

And call upon the citizens of Glendale to join me in recognizing the importance of protecting your children and families around water at all times.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 22nd day of April, 2025.

Attest.


CITY CLERK




MAYOR