

PROCLAMATION Recognizing Color the World Orange Day

WHEREAS, complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS) is a chronic pain condition that most often affects one limb (such as an arm, leg, hand, or foot), usually after an injury, surgery, stroke, or heart attack; and in some cases it can spread throughout the body and become severely debilitating; and

WHEREAS, CRPS is believed to be caused by damage to, or malfunction of, the peripheral and central nervous systems. The central nervous system is composed of the brain and spinal cord; the peripheral nervous system involves nerve signaling from the brain and spinal cord to the rest of the body; and

WHEREAS, CRPS is characterized by prolonged or excessive pain and changes in skin color, temperature and/or swelling in the affected areas; and

WHEREAS, CRPS is divided into two types: CRPS-I and CRPS-II. Individuals without a confirmed nerve injury are classified as having CRPS-I (previously known as reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome, or RSD). CRPS-II (previously known as causalgia) is when there is an associated, confirmed nerve injury; and

WHEREAS, the cause of complex regional pain syndrome isn't clearly understood, but early treatment has proven to be most effective. In such cases, improvement and even remission may be possible. More research is being done to find a cure; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2023, members of the CRPS/RSD community will celebrate the eighth annual Color the World Orange Day to spread awareness of this poorly understood pain disorder; and

WHEREAS, there are many ways to show support and help raise awareness, including by wearing something orange or by shining an orange light on Color the World Orange Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Ed Honea, Mayor of the Town of Marana, do hereby proclaim November 6, 2023, as Color the World Orange Day in the Town, and I encourage all residents to learn about and raise awareness of complex regional pain syndrome, such as by wearing something orange on Color the World Orange Day.

Dated this 17th day of October 2023.

ATTEST:

David L. Udall, Town Clerk

Ed Honea

Ed Honea, Mayor