



PROCLAMATION
Recognizing April 2-8, 2022 as, "The Week of the Young Child"

WHEREAS, all young children deserve quality early learning environments that support them as capable and competent lifelong learners; and

WHEREAS, nurturing parents, equitable and accessible childcare, and early education programs build strong brains during the critical years from birth to age 5; and

WHEREAS, investments in babies and young children have profound impacts on creating a strong and vibrant community; and

WHEREAS, First Things First, Southern Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, Arizona Association of Young Children, and other community organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the 51st anniversary of the **Week of the Young Child**; and

WHEREAS, these organizations are working to improve equitable early learning opportunities that provide a foundation of learning for children in Marana;


WHEREAS, early childhood educators and child care providers, who make a difference in the lives of young children, deserve to be well-supported and well-compensated; and

WHEREAS, public policies that support early learning for all young children are crucial to Arizona's families, communities, and economy.

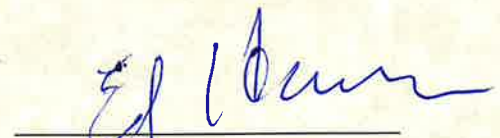
NOW, THEREFORE be it resolved, Mayor Honea and the Marana Town Council hereby recognize April 2-8, 2022 as the "Week of the Young Child" in Marana, Arizona and encourage all citizens to support and invest in early childhood education in our community.

Dated this 15th day of March 2022.

ATTEST:


Cherry L. Lawson, Town Clerk




Ed Honea, Mayor