



**PROCLAMATION  
FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH  
November 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the mission at One Mom's Battle (OMB) and the Family Court Awareness Month Committee (FCAMC) is to increase awareness on the importance of a family court system that prioritizes child safety and acts in the best interest of children ; and

**WHEREAS**, FCAMC's mission is to increase awareness on the importance of education and training on domestic violence, childhood trauma, and post separation abuse for all professionals working within the family court system; and to educate judges and other family court professionals on the empirical data and research which is a critical component to making decisions that are truly in the best interest of children; and

**WHEREAS**, this research includes The Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Study (CDC-Kaiser Permanente), Saunders's Study (Us Department of Justice), The Meier Study: Child Custody Outcomes in Cases Involving Abuse Allegations, and the Santa Clara Law Study (Confronting the Challenge of High-Conflict Personality in Family Court); and

**WHEREAS**, the mission at the FCAMC is fueled by the desire for awareness and change in the family court system while honoring the 100(+) children in the United States who have been murdered by a parent after a custody court rejected the other parent's plea for protection (Source: Center for Judicial Excellence); and

**WHEREAS**, many families in our community are struggling in silence and facing the reality that child safety is not being prioritized. Our family court system lacks the proper training on domestic violence, childhood trauma, and post separation abuse. In fact, many are shocked to discover that most states do not have domestic violence training requirements prior to a judicial officer presiding over family court cases and ultimately, determining the fate of innocent children. In the states that do have requirements for domestic violence training, it is very minimal; and

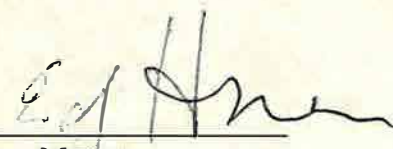
**NOW THEREFORE**, the Mayor and Marana Town Council do hereby recognize November 2021 as "FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH" in the Town of Marana and encourage citizens to support and recognize the importance of a family court system that prioritizes child safety and acts in the best interest of children.

**Dated this 3rd day of November 2021.**

**ATTEST:**

  
Cherry L. Lawson, Town Clerk



  
Ed Honea, Mayor