



**Chandler • Arizona**

## *Proclamation*

- WHEREAS,** All young children need and deserve high-quality early learning experiences that will prepare them for success in school and in life; and
- WHEREAS,** Nurturing parenting, high quality and accessible childcare and early education programs build strong brains during the critical years from birth to 5; and
- WHEREAS,** Research continues to reinforce that preparing babies and young children to succeed in school and life has profound impacts on building a strong and vibrant economy; and
- WHEREAS,** Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the Week of the Young Child and working to improve equitable early learning opportunities, including early literacy programs, that can provide a foundation of learning for children in Chandler;
- WHEREAS,** Teachers, early childhood professionals and others who make a difference in the lives of young children in Chandler deserve thanks and recognition; and
- WHEREAS,** Public policies that support early learning for all young children are crucial to the future of Chandler's young children and families.

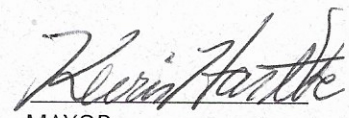
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Kevin Hartke, Mayor of the City of Chandler, do hereby proclaim April 13-17, 2020 as:

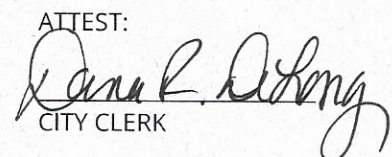
### **WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD**

in the City of Chandler, and encourage all citizens to work to make an investment in early childhood education in our community.

**In witness thereof,** I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Chandler, Arizona, to be affixed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2020.



  
MAYOR

ATTEST:  
  
CITY CLERK