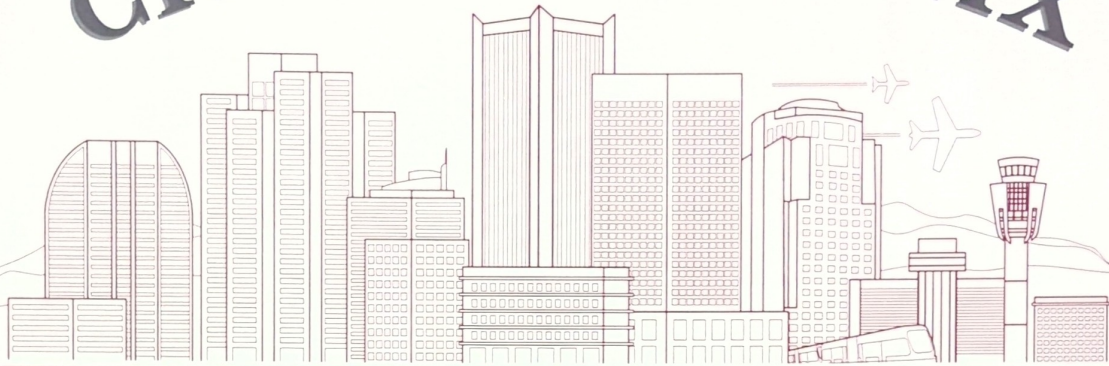


CITY OF PHOENIX



PROCLAMATION

The global pandemic will undoubtedly have repercussions impacting today's children, which escalates demand for early childhood education and services, and support for parents. Response must be equitable to continue the strong, vibrant Phoenix we are for the future generations.

The Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, First Things First, and other community organizations partner in providing education, learning opportunities, and services which enrich today's youth.

The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and is the world's largest early childhood education association.

This year we celebrate the 51st anniversary of the Week of the Young Child. It is a time to increase awareness for the demand in services for young children and their families necessary year-round, and to recognize the importance of early childhood programs, education, learning, nurturing and more. This is a time to thank educators who make a difference in young children's lives every day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATE GALLEGO, Mayor of the City of Phoenix, Arizona, in accordance with the law, do hereby proclaim April 2-8, 2022, as

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

in Phoenix, Arizona and encourage all citizens to support and invest in early childhood education in our community.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kate Gallego".

Mayor Kate Gallego
City of Phoenix