



WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

April 1-7, 2023

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

Whereas, nurturing parenting and quality accessible childcare build strong brains during the critical years from birth to age 5; and

Whereas, investments in children, families, and schools have profound impacts on creating strong, vibrant communities; and

Whereas, First Things First, Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, Read On Avondale, Read On Southwest Valley, and other community organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the 52nd anniversary of the Week of the Young Child; and

Whereas, these organizations are working to improve early learning opportunities that provide a strong start for children in Avondale; and

Whereas, early childhood educators and childcare providers who make a difference in the lives of young children deserve to be well-supported and well-compensated for their important work; and

Whereas, public policies that support early learning for all young children are crucial to the success of Arizona’s families, communities, and economy.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kenneth Weise, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Avondale, Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 1-7, 2023 as Week of the Young Child and encourage all citizens to support investments in early childhood education in our community.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk