

PROCLAMATION

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Week

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

WHEREAS, nurturing parenting, quality and accessible childcare programs are essential to children's development during the critical years from birth to age 5; and

WHEREAS, investments in babies and young children has profound impacts on building thriving, vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, First Things First, Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, Southern Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, and other community organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), are celebrating the 52nd anniversary of the Week of the Young child; and

WHEREAS, these organizations are working to improve equitable early learning opportunities that provide a strong start for children in the City of Page; and

WHEREAS, early childhood educators and childcare providers make a difference in the lives of young children and deserve recognition and support; and

WHEREAS, public policies that support early care and learning for all young children help Arizona's families, communities, and economy thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, I William R. Diak, Mayor of the City of Page, Arizona do hereby proclaim April 1-7, 2023, as the Week of the Young Child in Page, Arizona and encourage all citizens to support and invest in early childhood education in our community.

Issued this 22nd day of March 2023.

ATTEST:



Kim L. Larson, City Clerk




William R. Diak, Mayor