



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, All of Arizona's children deserve access to quality early care and education (ECE) environments; and

WHEREAS, Quality child care programs build children's lifelong learning skills during the critical years from birth to age five; and

WHEREAS, ECE teachers and child care providers are the essential workforce that helps Arizona parents get to work or school; and

WHEREAS, Funding quality child care is a smart investment that improves family well-being, strengthens communities, and grows our state's prosperity; 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, are celebrating the 54th anniversary of the Week of the Young Child; and

WHEREAS, These organizations are working to improve equitable early childhood opportunities that provide a strong start for children in Douglas; and

WHEREAS, Public policies that support ECE for Arizona's youngest learners help our families, communities, and the economy thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Jose Grijalva, Mayor and on behalf of the City of Douglas Council, do hereby proclaim April 5 -11, 2025 as

Week of the Young Child

In Douglas, Arizona and encourage all citizens to support and invest in early care and education in our community.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Douglas to be affixed this 10th day of March 2025.

A blue ink signature of Jose Grijalva.

Jose Grijalva, Mayor

DONE at the City of Douglas on this tenth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Nine.

Attest:

A black ink signature of Alma Andrade.

Alma Andrade, City Clerk