

PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ELOY, ARIZONA PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD APRIL 5 – 11, 2025

WHERAS, all children in Arizona deserve access to quality early care and education (ECE) environments; and

WHERAS, quality childcare programs help develop lifelong learning skills in children during the critical years from birth to age five; and

WHERAS, ECE teachers and child care providers are essential members of the workforce who support Arizona parents in their pursuit of work or education; and

WHERAS, funding quality child care is a smart investment that enhances family well-being, strengthens communities, and contributes to the prosperity of our state; and

WHERAS, First Things First, the Arizona Association for the Education of young Children, the Southern Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, and other community organizations, in collaboration with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the 54th anniversary of the Week of the Young Child; and

WHERAS, these organizations are dedicated to improving equitable early childhood opportunities that provide a strong foundation for children in the City of Eloy, Arizona; and

WHERAS, public policies that support ECE for Arizona's youngest learners benefit our families, communities, and the economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andrew Sutton, Mayor of the City of Eloy, do hereby proclaim April $5^{\text{th}} - 11^{\text{th}}$, 2025 as The Week of The Young Child and encourage all citizens to support and invest in early care and education in our community.



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Andrew Sutton, Mayor of Eloy

