

**PROCLAMATION  
CITY OF CASA GRANDE  
MAYOR ROBERT M. JACKSON**



**WHEREAS**, the people of the City of Casa Grande, Arizona, recognize that economic opportunity for individuals can lead to improved health for families and their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, 30 percent of Arizona's children under five years of age and 10 percent of Arizona's seniors live in poverty; and

**WHEREAS**, access to a reliable supply of clean diapers is a necessity for the health and welfare of infants and toddlers, their families, child and health care providers, and for those disabled persons and seniors needing incontinence supplies; and

**WHEREAS**, the average infant or toddler requires an average of 50 diaper changes per week over three years, and as 15-20 percent of adults over the age of 65 are incontinent; and

**WHEREAS**, diapers cannot be bought with food stamps (SNAP) or WIC vouchers, therefore providing a sufficient supply of diapers can cause economic hardship to needy families; and

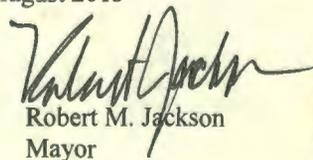
**WHEREAS**, a supply of diapers is generally an eligibility requirement for infant and toddlers to participate in childcare programs and for disabled persons and seniors to live independently; and

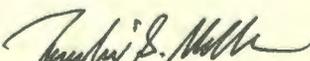
**WHEREAS**, when infants and toddlers cannot participate in childcare programs, it makes it very difficult for their parents and guardians to participate in the workforce, thereby causing economic harm to many families; and

**WHEREAS**, Casa Grande is proud to be home to various organizations that recognize the importance of diapers and incontinence supplies in helping provide economic stability for families and which distribute them to low-income families, disabled persons, and seniors through various channels; now

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert M. Jackson Mayor of the City of Casa Grande, Arizona, do hereby proclaim the week of September 28<sup>th</sup> through October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as "**DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK**" in the City of Casa Grande and encourage all of our citizens to donate generously to diaper drives, the Diaper Bank of Southern Arizona, which is the nation's first diaper bank, and to those organizations that distribute diapers to families in need to help alleviate diaper need in Casa Grande.

Done at Casa Grande City Hall on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 2015

  
Robert M. Jackson  
Mayor

  
Attest: Remilie S. Miller, MMC  
City Clerk

