

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



WHEREAS, the family, serving as the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem and support, is the very foundation of our communities and our State; and

WHEREAS, in Pinal County there are over 850 children and youth in foster care being provided with a safe, secure and stable home along with the compassion and nurture of a foster family; and

WHEREAS, all young people in foster care need a meaningful connection to a caring adult who becomes a supportive and lasting presence in their lives; and

WHEREAS, foster, kinship and adoptive families, who open their homes and hearts and support children whose families are in crisis, play a vital role in helping children and families heal and reconnect thereby launching young people into successful adulthood; and

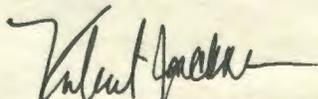
WHEREAS, dedicated foster families frequently adopt foster children, resulting in a greater need for more foster families; and

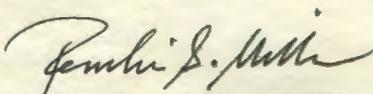
WHEREAS, there are numerous individuals, public and private organizations who work to increase public awareness of the needs of children in and leaving foster care as well as the enduring and valuable contribution of foster parents, and the foster care "system" is only as good as those who choose to be part of it; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I Robert M. Jackson, Mayor of the City of Casa Grande, Arizona, hereby proclaim **MAY 2014** as "**FOSTER CARE MONTH**" in the City of Casa Grande and urge all citizens to come forward and do something positive that will help change a lifetime for children and youth in foster care.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the City of Casa Grande, Arizona.

Done at Casa Grande City Hall on this 25th day of April 2014


Robert M. Jackson
Mayor


Attest: Remilie S. Miller, MMC
City Clerk

