

DROWNING IMPACT AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Drowning Impact Awareness month is a statewide effort to bring attention to the potential consequences of childhood drownings and the simple steps we can all take to prevent them; and

WHEREAS, drowning incidents in Arizona take the lives of the equivalent of a classroom of children each year; and

WHEREAS, a child drowning can happen to any family regardless of education, race or socio-economic background; and

WHEREAS, Glendale families can take simple steps to protect their children around water to avoid the tragedy of the unnecessary loss of life; and

WHEREAS, keeping children safe around water is the mutual goal of Water Watchers at Phoenix Children’s Hospital, the Glendale Fire Department and the Glendale Parks and Recreation Aquatics Program; and

WHEREAS, water safety remains a priority for all Arizona families, firefighters, lifeguards, water safety instructors and elected officials who work vigorously every year to prevent childhood drownings.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elaine Scruggs, Mayor of the City of Glendale, Arizona, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of August 2010 as:

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and call upon the citizens of Glendale to protect their children around water.

In Witness Thereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 22nd day of June 2010.