

*Office of the Mayor*  
Oro Valley, Arizona  
**Proclamation**

**DROWNING IMPACT AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's future prosperity depends upon the long-term health, safety, and well-being of the nearly two million children and teens in our state; and

**WHEREAS**, drowning is a top cause of injury and death for children and teens in Arizona, affecting not only the victims, but also families, emergency personnel, and our society as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, child drownings are nearly 100 percent preventable; and

**WHEREAS**, research-proven strategies can save lives, including constant and capable supervision, restricting access to water, use of life jackets, swimming lessons for adults and children at the appropriate age, and rapid emergency response, including CPR; and

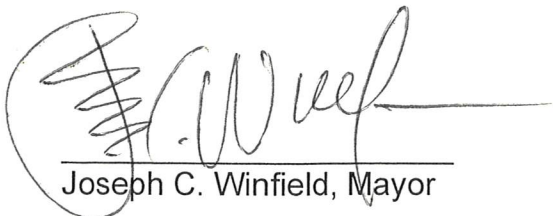
**WHEREAS**, during the month of August, Drowning Prevention Coalition of Arizona, in collaboration with state and local governments, community organizations, and private citizens, will be engaging communities throughout Arizona in a coordinated and comprehensive response.

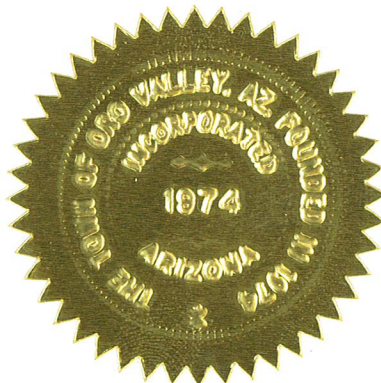
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Joseph C. Winfield, Mayor of Oro Valley, do hereby proclaim August 2023 as

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and urge all communities and citizens of Arizona to participate in efforts to reduce drowning risk, strengthen families, and protect children and teens.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023

  
Joseph C. Winfield, Mayor



ATTEST:

  
Michael Standish, Town Clerk