

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, In the 1920's Miss Helen Keller spoke to Americans and asked them to come to the aid of their fellow Americans who were going blind and in need of eye glasses that could be helped by a simple eye exam followed by medical eye treatment, if needed, therefore saving their eye sight; and

WHEREAS: The greatness of the need was taken on by the Lions Clubs International around the world; and

WHEREAS, Payson Lions Club has an annual White Cane Sale to support eye exams, glasses and medial eye treatment for the prevention of blindness and the purchase of white canes for the blind; and,

WHEREAS, Be it known to the public of the Town of Payson that all funds collected shall be used to help both children and adults with sight deficiencies; and

WHEREAS, An increase in awareness of blindness and its impact to the lives of people may stimulate public action to increase research towards better treatment for people with eye problems until a cure is found;

NOW, THEREFORE I, BARBARA G. BREWER, Mayor of the Town of Payson, Arizona, do hereby proclaim:

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in Payson, and do call upon our citizens to make every effort to promote the safety and welfare of our sight impaired persons on the streets and highways, thereby contributing to their independence of spirit and their capability for self-management.

IN WITNESS THERETO, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Town of Payson, Arizona, this 27th day of April, 2006.

ATTEST:

Barbara G. Brewer, Mayor

Silvia Smith, Town Clerk

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