



Pedestrian Safety Month

October 2022

Whereas, the City of Avondale prides itself in being a community that provides safe, open spaces and recreational amenities for those who live work and play in the City; and

Whereas, walking is a healthy and sustainable form of transportation, and all pedestrians have the right to arrive to their destinations safely; and

Whereas, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) reports that each year nearly 1,000 pedestrians are either seriously injured or killed on Arizona roadways; and

Whereas, NHTSA reports Arizona is 61% above the national average in pedestrian deaths and ranked sixth in the Nation concerning pedestrian deaths; and

Whereas, it is especially important for motorists to watch for children and teenagers who may have less predictable behaviors, as well as elderly pedestrians, persons with disabilities and wheelchair users who may need more time to cross streets; and

Whereas, an increase in awareness, caution, and observance by motorists and pedestrians is necessary to improve the safety of our roads.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kenneth Weise, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Avondale, Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2022 as Pedestrian Safety Month in Avondale and urge all residents to practice awareness of their surroundings, and furthermore urge motorists to always look for pedestrians and obey speed limits to keep our community and residents safe.

Mayor

Attest: _____

City Clerk