



Aspiring. Achieving. Accelerating.

**MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD  
APRIL 2024**

**WHEREAS**, since 1986, the Department of Defense has recognized military children during the month of April. Because of their service, commitment, and sacrifice to supporting the military's mission, it is important to honor and celebrate our military's youngest heroes; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of the Military Child is an opportunity to remember children's roles in strengthening the military family. This year's theme is Military Child: Brave, Fearless, and Resilient; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme recognizes that strong and resilient military children are essential to the success of the military's mission; and

**WHEREAS**, living in different states, countries and continents, military children face unique challenges that most youth their age do not experience. They are equipped to adapt to present and future changes, such as permanent changes of station, deployments, reintegration, care of their wounded warrior parent or coping with the loss of a fallen parent. Through each new step in life, they always remain ready and resilient; and

**WHEREAS**, Month of the Military Child reaffirms our commitment to ensuring excellence in schools, childcare, and youth services to military children who face unique challenges that other children their age never experience; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Avondale City Council is thankful for the positivity and enthusiasm of military children. The life of a military child is a blend of unique adventures and challenges. It is important to celebrate and recognize our City of Avondale employees who have served our nation while also being a parent that is serving.

**NOW THEREFORE, I**, Kenneth Weise, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Avondale, Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 2024 as the Month of the Military Child and call upon the residents of Avondale to celebrate the challenges and triumphs of our military-connected children. These amazing children selflessly sacrifice for our country and are brave, proud, and strong.

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Mayor Weise

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City Clerk