

Avondale

PROCLAMATION

HOMELESS PERSONS' REMEMBRANCE DAY

Whereas, Homeless Persons' Remembrance Day is observed annually on December 21, the first day of winter and the longest night of the year, to remember people who died while experiencing homelessness; and

Whereas, every life has inherent dignity and the City of Avondale affirms that the loss of any person to the dangers of homelessness is a loss to our whole community; and

Whereas, the City of Avondale recognizes the tireless work of local partners, including Phoenix Rescue Mission and the City's SONAR outreach team, along with regional service providers, faith communities, healthcare organizations, and volunteers who serve people experiencing homelessness with compassion and skill; and

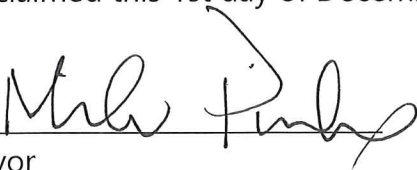
Whereas, remembering those who have died while unhoused deepens our commitment to solutions that prevent homelessness, reduce its harms, and make episodes rare, brief, and nonrecurring through coordinated street outreach, emergency shelter, supportive services, and housing; and

Whereas, the City encourages residents to join community partners in appropriate remembrances, including moments of silence and the reading of names, and to support efforts that save lives and connect people to safe, stable housing.

Whereas, a community remembrance service will be held in Avondale at Avondale Baptist Church on December 21, 2025, providing residents an opportunity to honor people who died while experiencing homelessness.

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the Avondale City Council, the City of Avondale, Arizona, hereby proclaims Homeless Persons' Remembrance Day.

Proclaimed this 1st day of December 2025.



Mayor

Attest: 

City Clerk