

# Avondale

## PROCLAMATION

### NOT IN OUR CITY

**WHEREAS**, human trafficking is a serious crime and violation of human rights that exploits individuals through force, fraud, or coercion for labor or commercial sex, and affects people of all ages, genders, and backgrounds; and

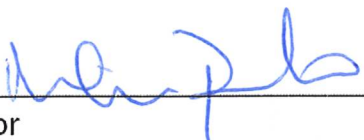
**WHEREAS**, Not In Our City is a community-centered coalition dedicated to combating human trafficking by uniting law enforcement, faith-based organizations, nonprofits, schools, businesses, and residents in a shared commitment to say "Not In Our City" to exploitation; and

**WHEREAS**, Not In Our City emphasizes education, awareness, victim support, and proactive prevention strategies, encouraging local pledges and community engagement to help identify, report, and prevent trafficking activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Avondale is committed to protecting the safety, dignity, and well-being of all residents and recognizes the importance of collaboration, education, and vigilance in preventing human trafficking and supporting survivors;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on behalf of the Avondale City Council, the City of Avondale, Arizona, hereby proclaims January 2026 as Not In Our City Month and encourage all residents, organizations, and businesses to join in raising awareness, supporting victims and survivors, and working together to ensure that human trafficking has no place in our community.

Proclaimed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

  
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Mayor

Attest:   
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City Clerk