PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Benson Unified School District is made up of a traditional Primary, Middle and High School as well as a Charter High School and a Virtual Academy; and

WHEREAS, Benson Primary School serves 494 students in this community and offers many opportunities for these students with clubs, extracurricular activities and after school activities; and

WHEREAS, during their primary education, students are taught to think critically, to strive to attain high standards, to meet the challenges posed by technological advancements and to develop citizenship and basic values; and

WHEREAS, apart from home, school is the single most important place in the lives of most children. Their experience of school will play a vital part in their lives and will determine their academic, social and, probably, their occupational future; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Educational Foundation has awarded the Benson Primary School with the 2015 A+ School of Excellence designation; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Education has designated Benson Primary School as a Title I "High Performing Reward School"; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Education has designated Benson Primary School as a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence; and

WHEREAS, Benson Primary School administration and staff have developed and implemented an academic program and is demonstrating above average achievement and growth among the bottom quartile students which is praiseworthy and deserving of such an honor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Toney D. King, Sr., Mayor of the City of Benson, Arizona, urge all citizens of our community to acknowledge and congratulate the Benson Unified School District for this accomplishment and continue to support the success of our students and our school district.

PROCLAIMED this 11th day of May, 2015.

TONEY D. KING, SR., Mayor

ATTEST:

VICKI L. VIVIAN, CMC, City Clerk

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