

*Office of the Mayor  
City of El Mirage*

**PROCLAMATION  
CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH  
AUGUST 2016**

**WHEREAS**, the safety and well-being of children is paramount and families need financial means and stability to protect and assist their children; and

**WHEREAS**, providing resources to aid parents in succeeding can make a difference in helping to promote long-term security and enriching a child's life will make our children stronger; and

**WHEREAS**, parents and/or caretakers, through a strong work ethic and personal responsibility, can provide a stable foundation for life to children who are dependent upon them for their daily financial, emotional, and physical growth; and

**WHEREAS**, collaborative community partnering with parents can assist in identifying valuable resources that may be necessary to achieve self-sufficiency, including employment, education, parenting time, health care, and other services, to obtain the best possible outcomes; and

**WHEREAS**, recognizing that education plays a critical role in improving Arizona's opportunities for growth and prosperity for parents as well as children and ensures children are well-equipped for school and achieve academic success at all levels; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Economic security, Division of Child Support Services, is committed to assisting parents in realizing their financial responsibilities, updating and maintaining open, continuous, consumer-friendly communications, and engaging with parents and diverse family structures, to assist them towards greater self-sufficiency to attain the best results for Arizona's children,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City of El Mirage proclaims the month of August, 2016 as **CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH**.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I, Mayor Lana Mook, have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of El Mirage to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.



Lana Mook, Mayor