BY THE PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL MEDICOLEGAL DEATH INVESTIGATOR PROFESSIONALS WEEK
JANUARY 19 – JANUARY 25, 2025

WHEREAS, The Pinal County Medical Examiner's Office is an independent agency serving the county's citizens and honoring the deceased by investigating the facts and circumstances concerning deaths that have occurred within Pinal County and contracted neighboring counties; and

WHEREAS, The Pinal County Medical Examiner's Office currently employs the highest number of Board Certified Medicolegal Death Investigators in the State of Arizona to ensure every citizen is represented by qualified and experienced medicolegal death investigators capable of performing knowledgeable, comprehensive, and compassionate investigation into the deaths of our citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, these professionals represent decedents, their families, and community to ensure that suspicious, violent, unattended, unexplained, and unexpected deaths are investigated and that a cause and manner of death are determined; and

WHEREAS, medicolegal death investigators meet the needs of public health as exemplified during the opioid pandemic and, in conjunction with the ever-changing fields of law enforcement and forensic science, impacts the American population in a wide range of settings; and

WHEREAS, with an emphasis on ethical, qualified, independent, and thorough death investigations, medicolegal death investigators have established themselves as an indispensable component of the public health and law enforcement systems, effectively speaking for those who can no longer speak for themselves.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Pinal County Board of Supervisors: The members of the Pinal County Board of Supervisors, by this proclamation, recognize the week of January 19 through January 25, 2025, as **"National Medicolegal Death Investigator Week"** in honor of the public service of the Pinal County Medical Examiner's Office and medicolegal death investigators. Proclaimed this 8th day of January, 2025.

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Mike Goodman, Chairman, District 2

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Jeffrey McClure, Vice-Chairman, District 4

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Rich Vitiello, District 1

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Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board

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