

PROCLAMATION

Human & Sex Trafficking Awareness Month

WHEREAS, human and sex trafficking are serious crimes that violate fundamental human rights and impact individuals, families, and communities across the Town of Fountain Hills; and

WHEREAS, trafficking often occurs in plain sight and affects people of all ages, genders, and backgrounds, making community awareness and education essential to prevention and early intervention; and

WHEREAS, informed and engaged residents play a critical role in recognizing the warning signs of trafficking, reporting suspicious activity, and supporting victims and survivors; and

WHEREAS, the Maricopa County Attorney's Office is launching the **Break the Chain** campaign to promote prevention, awareness, and community responsibility in addressing human and sex trafficking; and

WHEREAS, raising awareness helps reduce stigma, encourages reporting, and connects victims and survivors to critical resources and services;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Gerry M. Friedel, Mayor, along with the Council of the Town of Fountain Hills, Arizona, do hereby proclaim the month of January as

HUMAN & SEX TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH

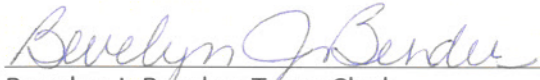
in the Town of Fountain Hills, and encourage all residents, businesses, schools, and community organizations to participate in awareness efforts, learn the signs of trafficking, and work together to protect the safety and dignity of all members of our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Fountain Hills to be affixed this 20th of January, 2026.




Gerry M. Friedel, Mayor

ATTEST:


Bevelyn J. Bender, Town Clerk