

## ***Drowning Impact Awareness Month***

***WHEREAS***, Drowning Impact Awareness month will raise awareness that the number and impact of child drownings in Arizona affects everyone; and

***WHEREAS***, drowning incidents in Arizona take the lives of the equivalent of a classroom of children each year; and

***WHEREAS***, a child drowning can happen to any family regardless of education, race or socio-economic background; and

***WHEREAS***, water safety remains a priority for all Arizona families, firefighters, lifeguards, and Water Safety Instructors; and

***WHEREAS***, keeping children healthy and safe is the goal of Water Watchers at Phoenix Children's Hospital, the Glendale Fire Department and the Glendale Parks and Recreation Aquatics Program, raising awareness will increase understanding and education of effective ways to prevent drownings.

***NOW, THEREFORE***, I, Elaine M. Scruggs, Mayor of the city of Glendale, Arizona, do hereby proclaim the month of August 2007, as

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*and call upon the citizens of Glendale to remember that families can take simple steps to protect their children around water.*

*In Witness Thereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 2007.*