# Proclamation

**WHEREAS, individuals, both career and volunteer, from 911 dispatchers, police, sheriff, DPS, fire, EMT, search and rescue, forest service, and other organizations in the public sector, come together as first responders to protect and aid the public in the event of an emergency; and**

**WHEREAS, every day first responders risk their own safety in the performance of their duties to protect our citizens of Rim Country; and**

**WHEREAS, first responders are our first and best defense against all emergencies that may threaten our Rim Country communities, whatever their nature; and**

**WHEREAS, first responders are ready to aid people 24 hours a day, every day; and**

**WHEREAS, first responders are highly trained, specialized workers who contribute their excellent skills for the public good; and**

**WHEREAS, members of all of our first responder organizations are highly trained and undergo significant education, training, and personal sacrifice in order to achieve the expertise required to respond to every kind of emergency situation.**

**We owe it to these God-ordained champions of the peace (Romans 13:1-5), to stand alongside them in heart-felt gratitude and prayer**

**Therefore, I, Kenny J. Evans, Mayor of the Town of Payson, do hereby proclaim**

***WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2016***
***AS***
***FIRST RESPONDER DAY OF PRAYER AND APPRECIATION***

**IN WITNESS THERETO, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Town of Payson, Arizona, to be affixed this 17th day of March, 2016**

**ATTEST:**

**Kenny J. Evans, Mayor**

**Silvia Smith, Town Clerk**

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