

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS NOT IN OUR CITY

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a global plague that impacts millions of people each year, including tens of thousands of Americans across all demographics and ages; and

WHEREAS, the United States ranks as one of the worst countries globally for human trafficking and Arizona ranks in the top 15 states with the highest rates of human trafficking per capita; and

WHEREAS, the battle against human trafficking includes supporting efforts in schools, churches, non-profits, law enforcement, and businesses to intervene, disrupt, and dismantle human trafficking syndicates; and provide resources to and support for victims of human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, the city of Apache Junction joins schools, churches, non-profit organizations, law enforcement, federal and state coalitions and the Not In Our City.org movement in our commitment to increase public awareness of the human trafficking epidemic that impacts our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Walter "Chip" Wilson, Mayor of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, do hereby proclaim

## **HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS - NOT IN OUR CITY**

Signed and attested to this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

Walter "Chip" Wilson

Mayor

ATTEST:

Evie McKinney
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Acting City Clerk