PROCLAMATION

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

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

WHEREAS, a child drowning is indiscriminate and can happen to any family; and

WHEREAS, families can take simple steps to protect their children around water to avoid the tragedy of the unnecessary loss of life; and

WHEREAS, water safety remains a priority for Arizona families, communities, and government, and Water Watchers at Phoenix Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, keeping children healthy and safe is the goal of Water Watchers at Phoenix Children's Hospital, Fire Departments and other prevention institutions in Arizona. Raising awareness will increase understanding and education of effective ways to prevent drowning.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. J. "Jim" Lane, Mayor of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona, do hereby proclaim August 1 through 31, 2012 as

DROWNING IMPACT AWARENESS MONTH

in Scottsdale and I encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of watching their children around water to prevent any needless drowning.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona, this 1st day of August 2012.

W. J. "Jim" Lane, Mayor Attest:

Carolyn Jagger, City Clerk