



**TOWN OF QUARTZSITE COMMON COUNCIL**

**PROCLAMATION**

**Grandfamily/Kinship Care Month  
September 2016**

*Whereas, approximately 2.9 million children in America are being raised by their grandparents or other relatives in kinship care, including 73,000 children in Arizona; and*

*Whereas, kinship caregivers not only ensure better outcomes for the children in their care by keeping them out of the foster care system, but they also save the government hundreds of millions of dollars each year; and*

*Whereas, since relationships with family members are crucial for the healthy development of children, the Town of Quartzsite should strive to promote and preserve kinship, sibling and other familial connections for Arizona's children; and*

*Whereas, during the month of September, Grandfamily/Kinship Care Month is observed across the United States; and*

*Whereas, the Town of Quartzsite is proud to recognize grandparents and other relatives who raise children in kinship care to ensure their safety and promote their well-being.*

*Now therefore, we, the Common Council of the Town of Quartzsite, AZ, do hereby proclaim September 2016 to be Grandfamily/Kinship Care Month in honor of grandparents and other relatives who raise children in kinship care.*

*Ed Foster, Mayor*

*Given under my hand in these free United States in the Town of Quartzsite, Arizona, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August in the year Two Thousand Sixteen; and to which I have caused the Seal of the Town of Quartzsite to be affixed and have made this proclamation public.*

**ATTEST:**

*Tina M. Abriani, Town Clerk*