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PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 25, 2015 THROUGH FEBRUARY 25, 2016 AS GLENDALE MUNICIPAL WATER SERVICE CENTENNIAL YEAR

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Presented By: Office of the Mayor
Accepted By:
Mr. Ronald Short, Chairman, Water Services Advisory Commission/
President of the Glendale Arizona Historical Society
Mr. Timothy O'Day, Glendale Water Services Department retiree
Mr. John Wilster, Glendale Water Services Department employee
Mr. Ed Sine, Mr. Max Sine, and Mr. Sean Sine, of the Sine family

Purpose and Recommended Action

This is a request for City Council to proclaim February 25, 2015 through February 25, 2016 as Glendale municipal water service centennial year.

Present to accept the proclamation are: Mr. Ronald Short, Chairman of the Water Services Advisory Commission and President of the Glendale Arizona Historical Society; Mr. Timothy O'Day, retired City of Glendale Water Services Department employee with 31 years of service; Mr. John Wilster, current City of Glendale Water Services Department employee with 27 years of service; and Mr. Ed Sine, Mr. Max Sine, and Mr. Sean Sine, of the Sine family.

Background

Starting February 25, 2015, the City of Glendale Water Services Department will celebrate its centennial, marking 100 years of providing safe, reliable, high quality water and wastewater services to the community.

In 1915, the Town of Glendale purchased the Water Works Company from Floyd Holmes Sine for $12,000 and created the new Municipal Water Works Department on February 25. The town immediately upgraded the system by drilling additional wells and installing new pressure pumps.

Fast forward 100 years later, the Glendale Water Services Department currently provides water and wastewater services to more than 230,000 people. It operates four water treatment plants, and two water reclamation facilities. Although Glendale has changed significantly over the last century, one thing remains constant - the city's commitment to providing exceptional water and wastewater services.

The Glendale Water Services Department builds from a century's worth of ingenuity and hard work. This provides a firm foundation as it continues to provide exceptional water and wastewater services to our community, while placing a high priority on customer service, appropriate use of innovative technology, and

maintaining a sustainable water supply.

Community Benefit/Public Involvement

Recognizing the centennial year of Glendale municipal water service and a century of safe and reliable water and wastewater services encourages all residents to reflect on the hard work and dedication of Glendale citizens and employees that make the city a great place to create a home or business.