Board of Supervisors

Pima County, Arizona

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, historically, Pima County's economy has a strong agricultural component; and

WHEREAS, Pima County, as a desert environment, recognizes the issue of scarce water resources; and

WHEREAS, Pima County supports movements to grow food locally and promote sustainable living; and

WHEREAS, aquaponics systems are scalable systems that can range from table-top size to commercial size, thus able to both feed and employ people; and

WHEREAS, aquaponics systems commonly use 70% less water than soil-based agriculture and one-tenth of the total energy than conventional farming; and

WHEREAS, aquaponics can grow up to four times more vegetables that are nutrient dense and free of pesticides and herbicides; and

WHEREAS, aquaponics can help to promote a sustainable future for the citizens of Pima County; and

WHEREAS, locally grown and sustainable agriculture is an economically sound goal for Pima County;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim September 21, 2013, to be

"AQUAPONICS DAY"

Passed and adopted this 17th day of September 2013.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PIMA COUNTY ARIZONA

The Honorable Ramón Valadez, Chairman
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Robin Brigode, Clerk
Pima County Board of Supervisors