



MEMORANDUM

Date: August 26, 2022

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Jan Leshner 
County Administrator

Re: **Pima County Constable Deborah Martinez**

As you are already aware, yesterday was a tragic day in Pima County as we lost one of our own Pima County Constable, Deborah Martinez. Yesterday, Governor Ducey ordered flags at half-staff in honor of Constable Martinez. (Attachment)

We are working with appropriate law-enforcement agencies to determine appropriate protocols from this point forward, as well as ensuring that staff has access to Employee Assistance Programs (EAP) in light of this tragedy.

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Attachment

c: Carmine DeBonis, Jr., Deputy County Administrator
Francisco García, MD, MPH, Deputy County Administrator and Chief Medical Officer
Steve Holmes, Deputy County Administrator
Michael Stevenson, Presiding Pima County Constable



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 25, 2022

Governor Ducey Orders Flags At Half-Staff In Honor Of Constable Deborah Martinez

PHOENIX – Governor Doug Ducey today ordered flags at all state buildings be lowered to half-staff tomorrow, Friday, August 26, in honor of the innocent lives lost to today's tragedy in Tucson, including Pima County Constable Deborah Martinez.

“The loss of Constable Deborah Martinez is felt across our state,” said Governor Ducey. “Whether it was serving in the U.S. Army or carrying out her duties as a constable for Pima County, she dedicated her life to helping others and her community. Constable Martinez was a Tucson native who will be remembered for the way she treated others with dignity and respect. Our thoughts and prayers are with her friends and family, as well as those who also lost their lives in today’s tragic events.”

Constable Martinez enlisted in the Army after the September 11, 2001 attacks on our nation and spent the next 16 years serving. After her time in the Army, she volunteered at local nonprofits dedicated to veterans and their families, and served on various veterans advisory groups. She became the constable for Justice Precinct 8 just earlier this year.

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