

Mayor Nancy Smith

Whereas, the City of Maricopa recognizes the importance of Alzheimer's and related dementia care and the significant impact on the health and wellbeing of our residents; and

Whereas, more than 11% of Arizonans over the age of 65 live with Alzheimer's, which is the 5th leading chronic disease cause of death in the state; and

Whereas, more than 240,000 Arizonans provide over 377,000,000 hours in unpaid care to their loved ones living with Alzheimer's and related dementia; and

Whereas, Medicaid costs of caring for people with Alzheimer's in Arizona was 591 million; and

Whereas, per capita, the cost of Medicare coverage for Arizonans with dementia is \$30,000 annually; and

Whereas, Arizonans are actively engaged in educating about the disease, advocating for a proper continuum of care, and improving the training and care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia; and

Whereas, the City of Maricopa supports an Arizona without Alzheimer's and related dementia, addressing this public health crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nancy Smith, Mayor of the City of Maricopa do hereby proclaim the month of November 2025 as **Alzheimer's and Caregiver Month** in this community and encourage all our residents to learn about Alzheimer's and related dementia patient care.

Dated this 4th day of November 2025.

Nancy Smith, Mayor