Chilanation of Proclamation

WHEREAS, November 21, 2024, marks the 48th anniversary of the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout; a campaign designed to encourage tobacco users to quit, on or before that day; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chino's Community Services, Parks & Recreation Department, Police Department, and Teen Center partners with the Chino Valley Unified School District to provide programs that encourage young people to quit smoking or not to start at all by promoting a healthy lifestyle and educating youth on the effects of smoking; and

WHEREAS, tobacco use is responsible for nearly 1 in 5 early deaths in the United States, which remains the leading cause of preventable disease, disability, and death, accounting for over 480,000 deaths every year, yet an estimated 28.3 million adults and 4.47 million middle and high school students continue to smoke cigarettes; and

WHEREAS, each day, nearly 2,000 people younger than 18 years old smoke their first cigarette and over 300 become regular, daily smokers; and

WHEREAS, while tobacco product use among U.S. youth declined, continued efforts are needed to sustain this progress and to prevent and reduce all forms of tobacco use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chino urges all tobacco users to demonstrate to themselves and their loved ones that they can quit on or before the Great American Smokeout.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EUNICE M. ULLOA, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHINO, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 21, 2024, as the

GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT DAY

in the City of Chino, and in doing so, support the American Cancer Society's mission to help create a world with less cancer and more birthdays due to less people smoking.

PRESENTED THIS 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024.

EUNICE M. ULLOA, MAYOR

Attest:

NATALIE GONZAGA, CITY CLERK

