

Proclamation

CITY OF GLENDALE

WHEREAS, cities across the country are more effectively driving change and delivering results for residents by participating in the Bloomberg Philanthropies' What Works Cities Certification program, the national standard of excellence for data-driven, well-managed local government; and

WHEREAS, What Works Cities helps local governments improve residents' lives by using data and evidence effectively to tackle pressing challenges; and

WHEREAS, the City of Glendale achieved What Works Cities Silver Certification in July, 2021 and has been recognized for their excellent data practices; and

WHEREAS, utilizing the City's What Works Cities initiative, Glendale has focused on open data, repurposing, results driven contracting, data governance, and performance & analytics; and

WHEREAS, in the last year the department has created and implemented the city-wide Data Governance program, the city performance website, a Strategic Procurement Team focused on results driven contracting, and the GlendaleOne Operational Performance dashboards for every department, as well as a public facing performance dashboard that shows how well the city is doing at keeping our commitments to citizens on services requests; and

WHEREAS, To forward transparency, Glendale proactively made data available to citizens and researchers through the Glendale [Open Data Portal](#). It also provides how-to guidance on using open data, access to downloaded data for analysis and a place to request additional datasets; and

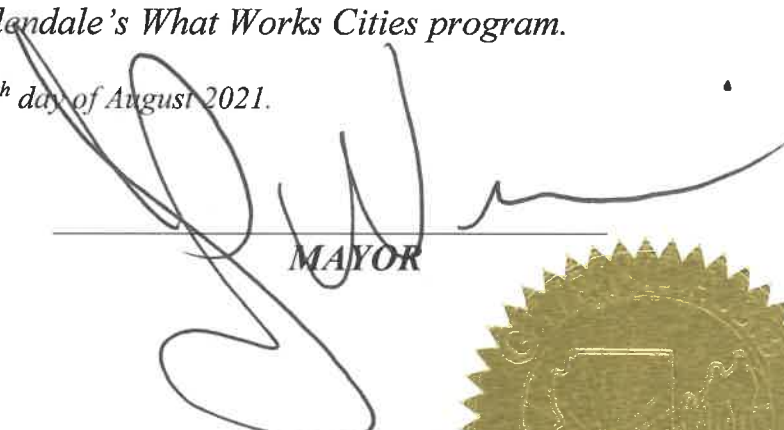
WHEREAS, These improvements have directly and positively impacted the lives of thousands of Glendale residents and changed the way all city employees work. It provides structure, performance tracking and accountability for all services provided to citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jerry P. Weiers, Mayor of the City of Glendale, Arizona, on behalf of the City Council do hereby proclaim Tuesday, August 17, 2021 as:

Inaugural Data Excellence Day

and encourage all our citizens and business owners to explore all of the tools and resources available through the City of Glendale's What Works Cities program.

In witness hereof, I hereunto set my hand this 17th day of August 2021.


MAYOR

Attest:


CITY CLERK

