

## TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK | OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## **PROCLAMATION**







WHEREAS, The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in 1999, in its resolution proclaimed February 21 as International Mother Language Day throughout the world to commemorate the martyrs who sacrificed their lives on that day in 1952; and

WHEREAS, UNESCO in its resolution further said "languages are the most powerful instruments of preserving and developing our tangible and intangible heritage." All moves to promote the destination of mother tongues will serve not only to encourage linguistic diversity and multilingual education but also to develop fuller awareness of linguistic and cultural traditions throughout the world to inspire solidarity based on understanding, tolerance and dialogue; and

**WHEREAS,** February 21 is being celebrated every day as the "International Mother Language Day," all over the world by people of different origins and languages; and

**WHEREAS**, International Mother Language Day is observed on February 21, 2023 in Arizona to promote awareness of linguistic and cultural diversity and multilinguialism; and

**WHEREAS**, Multi-cultural diversity is one of the strengths of our community,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Julia Wheatley, Mayor of the Town of Queen Creek, do hereby proclaim February 21, 2023 as

INTERNATIONAL MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY

WITNESS MY HAND this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of February, 2023.

Vulia Wheatley,

Mayor

Maria Gonzalez,

Town Clerk