

## ***National Crime Victim's Rights Week***

***WHEREAS***, victims of crime across America need and deserve respect, support and assistance to help them cope with the consequences of crime; and

***WHEREAS***, National Crime Victims' Rights Week offers all of us the opportunity to promote unity by helping victims and survivors of crime; and

***WHEREAS***, victims and survivors of crime can gain strength from the wide range of supportive services offered by programs throughout the community; and

***WHEREAS***, for over thirty years the Glendale Police Department Victim Assistance Services unit has remained committed to ensuring that all crime victims and survivors are treated with compassion and respect, recognized as key participants within our system of justice, and afforded services that provide help and hope; and

***WHEREAS***, the Glendale Police Department Victim Assistance Services is joining forces with the Glendale Fire Department Crisis Response Program and various victim service programs and criminal justice officials to raise awareness of victims' rights and observe National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

***NOW THEREFORE***, I, Elaine M. Scruggs, Mayor of the city of Glendale, Arizona, on behalf of the City Council and myself, do hereby proclaim the week of April 22- 28, 2007, as,

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and encourage all residents of Glendale to show their support for crime victims and those who serve them during this week and throughout the year.

*In Witness Thereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2007.*