RESOLUTION NO. ______

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASA GRANDE, ARIZONA, DECLARING THE CITY OF CASA GRANDE A PURPLE HEART CITY

WHEREAS, the people of the City of Casa Grande, in the state of Arizona, support its military veteran population and have a great admiration and appreciation for all of the men and women who have served their Country; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is the oldest decoration in present use and was initially created as the Badge of Military merit by George Washington in 1782; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart was the first American service award or decoration made available to the common soldier and is specifically awarded to any member of the United States Armed Services wounded or killed in combat with a declared enemy of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Military Order of Purple Heart, chartered by an act of Congress, is to foster an environment of goodwill among the combat wounded veteran members and their families, promote patriotism, support legislative initiatives and most importantly-make sure we never forget; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women from the City of Casa Grande and the State of Arizona, who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Casa Grande recognizes and honors the service and sacrifice of our Nation’s men and women in uniform who have received a Purple Heart while courageously serving to protect the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Casa Grande, Arizona, that the City of Casa Grande is hereby officially declared to be a

Purple Heart City

and the Mayor and Council encourage the citizens of the City of Casa Grande to show their appreciation for the sacrifices Purple Heart recipients have made in defending our freedoms, to acknowledge their courage, and to show them the honor and support they have earned.