

*Office of the Mayor*  
Oro Valley, Arizona  
**Proclamation**

**7TH ANNUAL EDWARD JONES BAG-A-THON  
OCTOBER 16 – NOVEMBER 9, 2013**

**WHEREAS**, one in six Americans struggle with hunger and Interfaith Community Services (ICS) Food Bank serves 70 to 150 families per day from all across Pima County; and

**WHEREAS**, the ICS Food Bank was able to provide holiday food bags for more than 2,000 households last year and hopes to increase that number to 2,500 this year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bag-A-Thon is essential to ensuring ICS has supplies to meet the need for food during the holiday season and is the single largest food collection event of the year; and

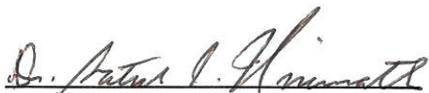
**WHEREAS**, Tucson-area Edward Jones offices, several schools, scouting groups and community groups, Fry's Food Store, the Town of Oro Valley, and the community-at-large donated a grand total of 70,000 pounds of food last year; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's goal is to collect at least 75,000 pounds of food and if that goal is reached, the Edward Jones Bag-A-Thon will have raised over 225,000 pounds of food for the ICS Food Bank in just seven years.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Dr. Satish I. Hiremath, Mayor of Oro Valley, hereby proclaim October 16<sup>th</sup> through November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 as the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Edward Jones Bag-A-Thon and urge all Oro Valley residents to get involved by dropping off bags of non-perishable food items at the Oro Valley Edward Jones office located at La Canada and Lambert.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013

ATTEST:

  
Dr. Satish I. Hiremath, Mayor

  
Julie K. Bower, Town Clerk