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Arizona Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims

In the most recent legislative session, Arizona's legislature designated Saturday, September 25, 2016 as the Arizona Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims (HCR 2008). The Clerk's office is a neutral record keeper in criminal, civil, probate, juvenile and other case types that may relate or overlap with situations involving victims of murder. As recognized in the legislature's resolution, the Clerk's office provides assistance to the friends and families of murder victims who need guidance and direction through the criminal justice system.

In some situations, family members and others may have been ordered to receive restitution. Many survivors and others are not ready to address this until years after the courtroom proceedings have ended. By then, the people entitled to restitution may have moved, making it difficult to connect them with their restitution. If you or someone you know is entitled to restitution, contact the Clerk's office at 602-372-5375 (602-37-CLERK) or by email at cocustomerrelations@mail.maricopa.gov.

The Clerk's office honors the memories of murder victims and recognizes the impact of their loss on surviving family members. Check with your local communities for support and assistance you may be able to provide. The legislature's resolution is available online at <http://www.azleg.gov/legtext/52leg/2r/bills/hcr2008h.pdf>.