# **Biography for Adelita S. Grijalva**

A native Tucsonan, educated through Tucson Unified School District and the University of Arizona, Adelita Grijalva is committed to improving the quality of life for our Pima County community. Adelita was elected in November 2020 to the Pima County Board of Supervisors in District 5 to a four-year term. The first Latina elected to this position, and is currently serving as Vice-Chair.

Adelita remains a member of the TUSD Governing Board and is currently serving as President for her fifth four-year term on the board. At the completion of her 20-year service on January 1, 2023, she will tie as the longest serving TUSD board member. Ms. Grijalva served as the Director of Pima County Teen Court, a non-profit Juvenile Court diversion program, for more than 25 years before beginning her service as a Pima County Supervisor. That position helped her to understand that collaborations and coalitions that involve non-profit, business and government can bring about the best benefit. Adelita also serves as a volunteer board member for the YWCA of Southern Arizona.

As Supervisor, Adelita has made a strong commitment to working in the community to create a coalition to recover from the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic and rebuild a vibrant Pima County. She believes that safety, affordable housing, education and strong job creation are central to those recovery efforts.

Adelita is proud that organizations dedicated to diversity, inclusion, education and equity for all have supported her throughout her career.

Adelita lives in Tucson with her husband Sol and their three children, Adelina, Raúl and Joaquín.