



**GOVERNOR PROCLAMATIONS**

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Governor proclamations of general applicability, and ceremonial dedications issued by the Governor.

**\* ARIZONA AVIATION DAY \***

[M15-160]

**WHEREAS**, an efficient and reliable aviation system is a critical element of Arizona's overall transportation system and the vitality of our State's economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona is home to 83 public use airports, 14 Native American airports, five military airports, five of the nation's largest flight schools and 11 privately-owned airports, which serve 17,986 licensed pilots and 6,561 general aviation aircraft based in Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, the aviation industry has an estimated \$58 billion annual impact on Arizona's economy and plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, over the next 20 years, the total number of passengers at all 12 commercial service airports in the State is expected to nearly double and the total number of aviation aircraft based in Arizona is expected to increase by more than 30 percent over the next 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, education institutions, aviation organizations, community airports and operators.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim February 26, 2015 as

**\* ARIZONA AVIATION DAY \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-fourth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* ARIZONA PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M15-161]

**WHEREAS**, many forms of legalized gaming exist in Arizona, including the Arizona Lottery, Indian Gaming, pari-mutuel racing, bingo, charitable gambling, amusement gambling, and social gambling; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's Indian gaming provides substantial funds for problem gambling programs throughout the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Department of Gaming's Office of Problem Gambling administers problem gambling funds to provide and support effective problem gambling prevention, education, and treatment programs throughout Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1998, the Arizona Lottery has had a formal statewide responsible gambling program; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning in 1999, the Arizona Legislature has continuously appropriated Arizona Lottery revenues to be used specifically for problem gambling programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Council on Compulsive Gambling, Inc., an Arizona non-profit, has provided problem gambling, education, awareness, and prevention programs in Arizona since 1994; and



**WHEREAS**, the National Council on Problem Gambling and the Association of Problem Gambling Service Administrators have declared the month of March as National Problem Gambling Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, through programming and education, potential and existing gambling related problems can be addressed by individuals, organizations, and state and tribal governments.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 2015 as

**\* ARIZONA PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-fourth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M15-162]

**WHEREAS**, 1.1 million Arizonans are living with arthritis including 6,000 children; and

**WHEREAS**, arthritis costs Arizona over \$2.3 million a year, and is the leading cause of disability; and

**WHEREAS**, pain, fatigue, and inflammation can limit everyday activities, from simple tasks like bathing and cooking to the ability to maintain employment; and

**WHEREAS**, for those 1.1 million Arizonans living with arthritis, 1 of 2 working adults has work limitations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arthritis Foundation has been committed to research and advocacy initiatives, as well as providing programs for those living with arthritis; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona has juvenile arthritis programs, which include Camp Cruz and Camp ILA, that provide support to Arizona children living with arthritis; and

**WHEREAS**, National Arthritis Awareness Month celebrates its 43<sup>rd</sup> year in order to increase awareness about the prevention and control of arthritis

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Walk to Cure Arthritis is Saturday, May 2, 2015 to raise funds and awareness for arthritis.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as

**\* ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this first day of May in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**



**Michele Reagan**

**\* AZERBAIJAN NATIONAL DAY \***

[M15-159]

**WHEREAS**, on May 28, 1918, Azerbaijan declared its independence establishing the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic, which became the first secular parliamentary democracy in the Muslim world, and was recognized by other democratic nations, including the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS**, during the short period of independence, Azerbaijan granted all people the right to vote regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, and religion, becoming the first Muslim nation to grant women equal political rights with men, an accomplishment preceding the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Azerbaijan’s independence was interrupted in 1920, when it was invaded by Bolsheviks, and forcefully incorporated into the USSR in 1922 to restore its independence only in 1991; and

**WHEREAS**, over the last two decades, the Republic of Azerbaijan has consolidated its sovereignty and independence, and has become a staunch ally and strategic partner of the United States of America in the critically important Caspian region; and

**WHEREAS**, every year for the last 96 years, millions of Azerbaijanis around the globe, including tens of thousands in the United States of America observe May 28<sup>th</sup> as the National Day, and remember the contribution of their forefathers to the spread of democracy in the regions of Caucasus, Central Asia and Middle East.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 28, 2015 as

**\* AZERBAIJAN NATIONAL DAY \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twentieth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* DRUG COURT MONTH \***

[M15-163]

**WHEREAS**, over the past twenty-five years, Drug Courts have served over 1.4 million individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, Drug Courts are now recognized as the most successful criminal justice intervention in our nation’s history; and

**WHEREAS**, Drug Courts save up to \$27 for every \$1 invested and produce up to \$13,000 for every individual they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, seventy-five percent of Drug Court graduates will never see another pair of handcuffs; and

**WHEREAS**, Drug Courts significantly improve substance-abuse treatment outcomes, substantially reduce drug abuse and crime, and do so at less expense than any other justice strategy; and

**WHEREAS**, Drug Courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and public health professionals in the fight against drug and criminality; and

**WHEREAS**, there are now 2,966 Drug Courts nationwide; and



**WHEREAS**, Drug Courts are the cornerstone of criminal justice reform sweeping the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Drug Courts demonstrate that when one person rises out of drugs and crime, we ALL RISE; and

**WHEREAS**, the time has come to put Drug Court within reach of every eligible person in need; and

**WHEREAS**, in support of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals, the Arizona Association of Drug Court Professionals, the State of Arizona – Governor’s Office for Children, Youth and Families celebrates and recognizes the practitioners and participants who make Drug Courts work.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as

**\* DRUG COURT MONTH \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this sixth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**

**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH \***

[M15-164]

**WHEREAS**, Arizona is blessed with outstanding opportunities for safe and healthy fun in the Great Outdoors enjoying our natural splendors in the company of family and in the company of old and new friends; and

**WHEREAS**, our kids today spend an average of 10 hours a day in front of a screen and outdoor activity is touted by many leading health organizations as a remedy to the adverse effects caused by our increasing inactivity; and

**WHEREAS**, diverse Great Outdoors Month events including National Trails Day<sup>®</sup>, National Get Outdoors Day, the Great Outdoors Month<sup>™</sup>, National Day of Service, the Great American Campout<sup>®</sup>, Kids to Parks<sup>™</sup> Day and more help connect citizens of all ages to healthy fun outdoors; and

**WHEREAS**, other events during Great Outdoors Month such as National Fishing and Boating Week and National Marina Day provide all of us, especially our children, with exciting opportunities for recreation on the great waters of our state; and

**WHEREAS**, Great Outdoors Month, promoting activities including biking, swimming, hiking, paddling, fishing, hunting, boating and many more help us and our children enjoy the physically and mentally healthful and educational benefits of outdoor recreation; and

**WHEREAS**, enjoyment of our Great Outdoors allows us to celebrate the commitment of our state to conserve and protect our air, our water, our wildlife and our lands and contribute to conservation efforts through various licenses, taxes and fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the economic impact of outdoor recreation is both large and growing nationally, exceeding \$650 billion in annual expenditures, and in our state, where it is estimated at \$17.1 billion and supports some 166,000 jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, many of our important cultural and historic events and traditions are linked to places in our state which are parts of national, state and local park systems; and



**WHEREAS**, Great Outdoors Month allows us to celebrate the partnership of federal, state and local agencies, the recreation and tourism industries and recreationists which make outdoor recreation opportunities available, and adds new and needed features such as improved trails through the Recreational Trails Program and the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 2015 as

**\* GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH \***

and I further urge all citizens and visitors from other states and other lands to explore and enjoy, protect and conserve Arizona's Great Outdoors.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first day of April in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* HOMESCHOOL WEEK \***

[M15-165]

**WHEREAS**, the thousands of Arizona parents who choose to homeschool their children, at their own expense, dedicate their time and talents to ensure that their children's academic, creative, social, and emotional needs are met; and

**WHEREAS**, homeschooling has seen a resurgence in Arizona and today over 30,000 students are homeschooled by their parents or legal guardians; and

**WHEREAS**, homeschooled children work diligently to progress academically and participate fully in their education; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona benefits from the achievements of homeschooled students as they enrich our colleges and universities as well as contribute greatly to Arizona's workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, our great State, historically, has been very supportive of homeschooling and a number of our early state leaders were homeschooled such as Governor Anson P.K. Safford, Sharlot Hall, and State Senator Henry Fountain Ashurst.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 2 - 8, 2015 as

**\* HOMESCHOOL WEEK \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-fourth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**



**\* JUDGE LEARNED HAND AWARDS DAY \***

[M15-166]

**WHEREAS**, the American Jewish Committee (AJC) has for more than 100 years fought for the rights and freedom of people worldwide, and has fostered the values of pluralism and democracy in our State; and

**WHEREAS**, the AJC established an award for distinguished members of the Bar for their adherence to the values and standards of excellence associated with Judge Learned Hand, who served as a distinguished judge on the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; and

**WHEREAS**, there are members of our Arizona legal community who exemplify the high principles for which Judge Learned Hand was renowned; and

**WHEREAS**, each spring the AJC honors three of these special individuals with tribute awards; and

**WHEREAS**, Sandra Day O'Connor has been awarded the Public Service Award in honor of sustained contributions to the advancement of equality and democratic principles through work in the non-profit and public sectors; and

**WHEREAS**, Elliot A. Glicksman has been awarded the Community Service Award in appreciation of years of dedication and commitment to the values of community service, and for demonstrating sustained contributions to the advancement of equality and democratic principles; and

**WHEREAS**, Lawrence Robinson has been awarded the Emerging Leadership Award in recognition of his commitment to the values of community service while practicing 12 years or less.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 11, 2015 as**

**\* JUDGE LEARNED HAND AWARDS DAY \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-sixth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* MOTORCYCLE SAFETY DAY \***

[M15-167]

**WHEREAS**, motorcycles require more skill to safely operate than a passenger vehicle; and

**WHEREAS**, the relationship of speed and balance is a key consideration when operating a motorcycle; and

**WHEREAS**, a motorcycle offers no protection in a crash as opposed to the protective in a crash as opposed to the protective features of passenger vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, we want to create a safer Arizona for all motorcyclists through education and training, and promote accountability and responsible attitudes of all road users

**WHEREAS**, we will reduce fatalities and the occurrence and severity of serious injuries resulting from crashes involving motorcycles on all public roadways in Arizona.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 7, 2015 as**



**\* MOTORCYCLE SAFETY DAY \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-fourth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* ROSIE THE RIVETER DAY \***

[M15-168]

**WHEREAS**, National Rosie the Riveter Day is a collective national effort to raise awareness of the 16 million working women during World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, Americans have chosen to honor female workers who contributed on the home front during World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, these women left their homes to work or volunteer full-time in factories, farms, shipyards, airplane factories, banks and other institutions in support of the military overseas; and

**WHEREAS**, these women worked with the USO or Red Cross, drove trucks, riveted airplane parts, collected critical materials, rolled bandages, and served on rationing boards; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognize and preserve the history and legacy of working women, including volunteer women, during World War II to promote cooperation and fellowship among such members and their descendants; and

**WHEREAS**, these women and their descendants wish to further the advancement of patriotic ideas, excellence in the work place, and loyalty to the United States of America.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 23, 2015 as

**\* ROSIE THE RIVETER DAY \***

and I further encourage citizens to honor these women who contributed to our country through their patriotism.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-third day of April in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**