



GOVERNOR PROCLAMATIONS

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

GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH

[M16-162]

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, National Get Outdoors Day, the Great Outdoors Month, National Day of Service, the Great American Campout, Kids to Parks 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, National Marina Day and Get Into Your Sanctuary Days provide all of us, especially our children, with exciting opportunities for recreation on the great waters of our state; 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, Arizona's 30 state parks, 22 national park units, six national forests and more reflect every facet of our state's rich natural and cultural history; 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, 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, 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 2016 as

GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH

and I further urge all citizens and visitors from other states and other countries 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

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twelfth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:

Michele Reagan

SECRETARY OF STATE

IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH

[M16-163]

WHEREAS, America is a nation founded and built by immigrants; and

WHEREAS, generations of immigrants from every corner of the globe have built our country's economy and created the unique character of our nation; and

WHEREAS, immigrants continue to grow businesses, innovate, strengthen our economy, and create American jobs in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, immigrants have provided the United States with unique social and cultural influence, fundamentally enriching the extraordinary character of our nation; and

WHEREAS, immigrants have been tireless leaders not only in securing their own rights and access to equal opportunity, but have also campaigned to create a fairer and more just society for all Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 2016 as

**IMMIGRANT HERITAGE 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

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twentieth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:

Michele Reagan

SECRETARY OF STATE

KIDS TO PARKS DAY

[M16-164]

WHEREAS, Kids to Parks Day empowers kids and encourages families to get outdoors and visit Arizona's city, county, state and national parks; and

WHEREAS, it is important to introduce youth to our parks to build the next generation of park visitors and supporters; and **WHEREAS**, we should encourage children to lead a more active lifestyle to combat the issues of childhood obesity, diabetes mellitus, hypertension and hypercholesterolemia; and

WHEREAS, a number of events provide kids opportunities to experience the parks, including the Mariachi Festival at Patagonia Lake State Park and BioBlitz at Coronado National Memorial and Montezuma Castle National Monument; and **WHEREAS**, Kids to Parks Day is open to all children and adults across the country to encourage a large and diverse group of participants; and

WHEREAS, Kids to Parks Day will broaden children's appreciation for nature and the outdoors.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 21, 2016 as

KIDS TO PARKS DAY

and I further urge citizens to make time on May 21st to take the children in their lives to a city, county, state or national park.

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

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twelfth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:

Michele Reagan

SECRETARY OF STATE

LUPUS AWARENESS MONTH

[M16-165]

WHEREAS, lupus is an autoimmune disease that can cause severe damage to the tissue and organs in the body and in some cases may cause death; and

WHEREAS, more than 5 million people worldwide suffer the devastating effects of this disease and each year over a 100,000 young women, men and children are newly diagnosed with lupus, the great majority of whom are women of childbearing age; and

WHEREAS, medical research efforts and the discovery of safer, more effective treatments for lupus patients are underfunded in comparison with diseases of comparable magnitude and severity; and

WHEREAS, due to the lack of research many physicians worldwide are unaware of symptoms and health effects of lupus, causing people with lupus to suffer for many years before they obtain a correct diagnosis and medical treatment; and

WHEREAS, there is a deep, unmet need worldwide to educate and support individuals and families affected by lupus and there is an urgent need to increase awareness in communities worldwide of the debilitating impact of lupus; and

WHEREAS, May 10th is designated as *World Lupus Day* wherein lupus organizations around the globe call for increased medical research, targeted education programs for health professionals, patients and the public, and worldwide recognition of lupus as a significant health issue.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as



LUPUS 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

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twelfth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:

Michele Reagan

SECRETARY OF STATE

MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

[M16-166]

WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women, with African-American men having the lowest life expectancy; and

WHEREAS, educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems will result in reducing rates of mortality from disease; and

WHEREAS, men who are educated about the value of preventative health will be more likely to participate in health screening; and

WHEREAS, fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and

WHEREAS, the Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop National Men's Health Week as a special campaign to help educate men and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and

WHEREAS, Arizona Men's Health Week includes a focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, diabetes, mental health, prostate, testicular and colon cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 13 – 19, 2016 as

MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

and I further encourage citizens to participate in a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and preventative medical screenings as recommended by a healthcare professional.

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

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-sixth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:

Michele Reagan

SECRETARY OF STATE

TOW TRUCK DRIVER APPRECIATION DAY

[M16-167]

WHEREAS, each and every day, thousands of Tow Truck Drivers and Roadside Assistance Personnel spend countless hours assisting motorists in need across busy and dangerous intersections, freeways, and highways as they go about their daily lives; and

WHEREAS, local government entities place top priority on road safety issues and recognize that roadside assistance plays a critical role in ensuring the safety of Arizona motorists, and Tow Truck Drivers and Roadside Assistance Personnel get stranded motorists back on the road safely and quickly; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that Tow Truck Drivers and Roadside Assistance Personnel provide an invaluable service to Arizona communities and receive little recognition for their tireless efforts; and

WHEREAS, Tow Truck Drivers and Roadside Assistance Personnel put their lives on the line and work in extreme conditions 24 hours a day and 365 days a year to help stranded motorists in times of need.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 20, 2016 as



TOW TRUCK DRIVER APPRECIATION 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

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twelfth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:

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