

Governor's Executive Orders/Proclamations

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GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS  
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR  
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)

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**\* POSTPARTUM MOOD DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M07-129]

**WHEREAS**, up to 80% of new mothers experience changes in their emotional health following childbirth, regardless of race, age, culture or socioeconomic status. 15-20% experience more severe symptoms, collectively known as Postpartum Mood Disorders; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2005, there were 95,798 live births in the state of Arizona, resulting in an estimated 14,370-19,160 mothers who struggled with moderate to severe postpartum emotional symptoms in Arizona alone. Postpartum Mood Disorders (PPMDs) have been called "The most significant complication associated with childbirth". PPMDs interfere with mother-infant bonding and disrupt the entire family unit; and

**WHEREAS**, there are many forms of Postpartum Mood Disorders, including the milder "Baby Blues" and more severe Postpartum Depression, Postpartum Panic Disorder, and Postpartum Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder. The most severe disorder, Postpartum Psychosis, is a life-threatening mental illness associated with a 10% suicide / infanticide rate; and

**WHEREAS**, with proper awareness, education, intervention, and resources, Postpartum Mood Disorders are nearly 100% treatable; and

**WHEREAS**, increasing public awareness among all Arizona families on the prevalence, identification and treatment of Postpartum Mood Disorders has significant potential to save lives and prevent the unnecessary suffering experienced by so many families following childbirth;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May, 2007 as

**\* POSTPARTUM MOOD DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH \***

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

**Janet Napolitano**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* TUCSON PEACEWALK DAY \***

[M07-130]

**WHEREAS**, we believe in many lands, many people, many faiths and one Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, faith communities in Tucson, Arizona are meeting together for peaceful and productive discussions in hope that harmonious relationships can help further understanding in our shared world; and

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**WHEREAS**, to further promote a desire for peace and mutual respect, people of all faiths are sponsoring a "PeaceWalk" from the Temple Emanu-El to the Islamic Center of Tucson on March 25, 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, this walk recognizes the efforts of many Muslims, Jews, Christians, and people of other faiths to embrace peace, not only in Tucson but around the world as part of a larger campaign of the Jewish Peace Fellowship, the Muslim Peace Fellowship and the National Fellowship of Reconciliation,

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 25, 2007

**\* TUCSON PEACEWALK DAY \***

and thank the organizers of this walk for their commitment to bringing peace to communities throughout Arizona and the world.

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**Secretary of State**

**\*ARIZONA NAVY WEEK\***

[M07-131]

**WHEREAS**, a mixture of special Navy guests, including Vice Admiral Evan Chanik, Blue Angels and USS Tucson, will be visiting Arizona, March 14th through 23rd, in order to raise our citizen's awareness of the services and sacrifices of their United States Navy; and

**WHEREAS**, despite being a landlocked state, Arizona boasts a significant number of its citizens serving in the active Navy or honorably retired from Navy service; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizonans continue to hold a deep and abiding respect for the sailors of USS Arizona, the proud battleship that will forever remain an enduring legacy of the United States Navy fleet; and

**WHEREAS**, we wish to express our enduring support for USS Tucson and her crew, who continue to serve admirably in the protection of our nation;

**WHEREAS**, Tucson is one of 26 cities in the United States that has been designated to host a Navy Week in 2007, thus celebrating the past, present, and future of Arizona's long standing support and close relationships with our nation's Navy.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 14-23, 2007 to be

**\*ARIZONA NAVY WEEK\***

and encourage all citizens of the State of Arizona to recognize past and present Navy personnel for their devoted and faithful service to our nation.

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**\* ARIZONA CLEANUP DAY \***

[M07-132]

**WHEREAS**, Keep America Beautiful, Inc., a national nonprofit organization dedicated to helping individuals improve their community environments, celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2003, and has established the Great American Cleanup as its signature national effort for involving American citizens in environmental stewardship; and

**WHEREAS**, Keep America Beautiful's Great American Cleanup, is celebrating its 22nd Anniversary in 2007, featuring over 2 million volunteers participating in over 30,000 events in over 15,000 communities in all 50 states; and

**WHEREAS**, the state of Arizona is proud of its natural resources and its neighborhoods and seeks to protect and improve our community through the action of citizens, schools, government and businesses working together; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona Clean and Beautiful volunteers will improve the quality of life in Arizona as they clean up litter-strewn streets and waterways and fix up and beautify public spaces during the Great American Cleanup in Arizona;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Governor Napolitano of Arizona do hereby proclaim March 8, 2007 as

**\* ARIZONA CLEANUP DAY \***

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**Secretary of State**

**\* WILDFIRE AWARENESS WEEK \***

[M07-133]

**WHEREAS**, the number and severity of wildland fires in Arizona continue to increase, threatening both life and property, and the risk of wildfire is further increased due to pine beetle damage to the forest and continuing drought; and

**WHEREAS**, the population and development of communities in the wildland-urban interface continue to increase and there is a critical need to reduce the number of human-caused fires through education in the areas representing the most significant wildland fire risk; and

**WHEREAS**, rural communities need to plan and act to protect their investment in their property through better road access, design, building materials, landscaping and maintenance of their homes and property; and

**WHEREAS**, we all share the responsibility of managing and preventing wildfires;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 18-24, 2007 to be

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**\* WILDFIRE AWARENESS WEEK \***

in the State of Arizona, and encourage citizens to actively engage in learning how to create and maintain defensible space for their homes and property, following Firewise recommendations by the national Wildfire Coordinating Group, a consortium of wildland fire agencies that includes the USDA Forest Service, the Department of Interior, the National Association of State Foresters, the U.S. Fire Administration and the National Fire Protection Association. All citizens are urged to exercise care in the use of all fire and fire causing activities whether it be for industrial, home, or recreational use.

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**\* SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH 2007 \***

[M07-134]

**WHEREAS**, sexual assault is a violent crime with devastating safety and health implications for every person in Arizona, be they a victim, a survivor or family member, loved one, neighbor or co-worker of a victim; and

**WHEREAS**, a woman is raped every two and a half minutes in the United States and women, children and men are most often sexually abused by someone they know; and

**WHEREAS**, no one person, organization, or community can eliminate sexual assault alone; we must all work together to support victims and their families, expand sexual assault prevention and increase support for agencies that provide critically needed services. Arizona's *State Plan on Domestic and Sexual Violence* is a blueprint for this collaborative response; and

**WHEREAS**, coordinated community response efforts throughout Arizona lead the way in confronting sexual assault with hotline services, response to emergency calls, and support during medical exams and criminal proceedings and have led to improved laws such as making spousal rape a crime with the same penalty as non-spousal rape; and

**WHEREAS**, staff and volunteers of sexual assault programs in Arizona work diligently to provide prevention education and survivor empowerment information to schools, churches, civic organizations, and medical, mental health, law enforcement, and criminal justice communities; and

**WHEREAS**, agencies and advocacy centers throughout Arizona need community support for their mission to decrease sexual violence and create a future where all people can live free from sexual violence and exploitation;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 2007 as

**\* SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH 2007 \***

in the State of Arizona, and urge all citizens and communities to join me in this observance in order to create awareness and strive to achieve a state where sexual assault victims have a clear path to justice, and where citizens take personal responsibility to eliminate all forms of sexual violence.

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**Secretary of State**

**\* GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY \***

[M07-135]

**WHEREAS**, the ancient Greeks utilized the concept of democracy vesting the power to govern in the people; and

**WHEREAS**, the ancient Greeks established the Olympic Games, the largest display of athletic skill and competitive spirit in the ancient world; and

**WHEREAS**, United States founders drew on the political experience and philosophy of ancient Greece in forming our representative democracy; and

**WHEREAS**, Greek soldiers were with the United States Marines on the shores of Tripoli in the military operations memorialized in the United States Marines' Hymn; and

**WHEREAS**, Greece is one of the nations in the world that has allied with the United States in major international conflicts in the twentieth century, including World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, and the Balkans; and

**WHEREAS**, the government of Greece has declared its solidarity with the American people and has pledged to back efforts to combat and eradicate terrorism in the aftermath of terrorist attacks on the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS**, Greece joins the United States of America at the forefront of the effort for freedom, democracy, peace, stability, and human rights where these ideals have forged bonds between nations and their peoples; and

**WHEREAS**, March 25, 2007, marks the 186th anniversary of the beginning of the revolution that freed the Greek people from the Ottoman Empire and is a day when the Greek people celebrate and reaffirm their democratic principles from which great nations are born;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 25, 2007 as

**\* GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY \***

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**\* GI NURSES DAY \***

[M07-139]

**WHEREAS**, Gastroenterology (GI) Nurses and Associates are committed to providing optimal health care to patients with gastrointestinal disease undergoing diagnostic and therapeutic procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, GI Nurses and Associates are endeavoring to make the public aware of GI health and health care systems, and increase participation in GI wellness programs; and

**WHEREAS**, GI Nurses and Associates have demonstrated their professionalism and compassion for their patients, and continually strive to upgrade their skills; and

**WHEREAS**, GI Nurses and Associates in our community are committed to providing quality GI health care to all of our citizens in a variety of settings from the hospital to the home;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 28, 2007 as

**\* GI NURSES DAY \***

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**\* OFFICIAL ARIZONA PREMIER EARTH MONTH EVENT \***

[M07-140]

**WHEREAS**, the year 2007 marks the fourth year of *EnviroKidsFest* in the State of Arizona as a premier environmental education event designed to meet State education curriculum standards; and

**WHEREAS**, *EnviroKidsFest '07* provides a new and educational environmental experience for school-aged children of the State of Arizona to learn about the benefits of water and energy conservation, recycling, wildlife habitat preservation and solar and other renewable energies; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of *EnviroKidsFest '07* is to inspire tomorrow's community leaders toward healthier environmental stewardship through interactive education; and

**WHEREAS**, *EnviroKidsFest '07* galvanizes common environmental goals in a unique partnership among citizens, the City of Scottsdale and the corporate and business communities in the State of Arizona;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April's *EnviroKidsFest '07* as the

**\* OFFICIAL ARIZONA PREMIER EARTH MONTH EVENT \***

and encourage all Arizona residents and students alike to learn, understand and utilize the rich blessings of our State's natural resources.

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**\* ARIZONA GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY \***

[M07-141]

**WHEREAS**, there are children suffering from untreated dental diseases in every community in Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, school age children in lower income households are more likely to have tooth decay than those in higher income households; and

**WHEREAS**, only half of Arizona's population receives fluoridated water and many lack proper dental care; and

**WHEREAS**, the oral health of hundreds of needy children in Arizona can be enhanced through free, comprehensive prevention and treatment services provided by volunteer dental professionals on Arizona Give Kids a Smile Day; and

**WHEREAS**, dentists alone cannot solve these problems simply through volunteer programs without a real commitment from community leaders and policy makers;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 20, 2007 to be

**\* ARIZONA GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY \***

and commend our state's volunteer dentists for providing much needed dental care to underserved children throughout the state while building awareness and promoting habits that will improve the dental health of Arizona communities.

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**Secretary of State**

**\* ARIZONA PATIENT PARTNERS MONTH \***

[M07-142]

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Hospital and Healthcare Association (AzHHA) and its 110 member hospitals and health systems are committed to ensuring the delivery of healthcare services that are effective and safe

**WHEREAS**, Arizona hospitals have joined together to work collaboratively on improving healthcare safety through AzHHA's *Safe & Sound Patient Safety Initiative*.

**WHEREAS**, patients who receive healthcare services, and providers who deliver healthcare services, are important partners in the delivery of safe medical care; and

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**WHEREAS**, increased patient-provider communication increases safety in the healthcare environment; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's hospitals are the first in the nation to implement statewide standardized color-coded wristbands as a way to increase safety in hospitals;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Janet Napolitano, Governor of Arizona do hereby proclaim April 2007 as

**\* ARIZONA PATIENT PARTNERS MONTH \***

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