

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

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*** ARIZONA CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK ***

[M07-176]

WHEREAS, as a nation devoted to liberty and justice for all, we must increase our efforts to protect, restore, and expand crime victims' rights and services, so that they apply to every victim, every time; and

WHEREAS, 23 million Americans are victims of crime each year, and of those, 5.2 million are victims of violent crime; and

WHEREAS, all victims of crime deserve respect, resources, restoration, and justice; and

WHEREAS, all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and the federal government grant crime victims certain legal rights; and

WHEREAS, as we carry crime victims' rights into 2007 and beyond, we must strive to create a nation where the legal rights of victims are honored and individuals are accountable for their treatment of victims; and

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Week offers us the opportunity to recommit ourselves to ensuring that every victim is afforded his or her legal rights and treated as a crucial participant in our criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, despite significant progress in providing rights and services to crime victims over the past two decades, segments of our population who are victims continue to be underserved; and

WHEREAS, Arizona is joining forces with victim service programs, criminal justice officials, and concerned citizens throughout Arizona and America to raise awareness of victims' rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 22-28, 2007 as

*** ARIZONA CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK ***

and reaffirm Arizona's commitment to respect and enforce victims' rights.

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 twenty-seventh 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

*** ARIZONA STROKE AWARENESS MONTH ***

[M07-177]

WHEREAS, every 45 seconds someone in the United States experiences a stroke, or brain attack, and is the third leading cause of death in America, killing 160,000 people annually; and

WHEREAS, stroke is a leading cause of adult disability. There are more than five million stroke survivors in the United States, with two-thirds living with moderate to severe disabilities and the United States spends more than \$52 billion in direct and indirect costs on stroke; and

WHEREAS, more than one-third of Americans cannot identify a single symptom of stroke which includes sudden trouble talking, walking, seeing, paralysis usually on one side of the body and sudden severe headache with no known cause and there is now a new, easy and F.A.S.T. stroke recognition system; and

WHEREAS, more than a half a million strokes can be prevented yearly, yet many Americans don't discuss their stroke risks with their primary health care providers, public awareness of the risks and warning signs of a stroke is essential to prevention and early treatment; and

WHEREAS, emergency treatment of stroke can save lives, reduce disability and even possibly reverse all impacts from the stroke; and

WHEREAS, National Stroke Association celebrates National Stroke Awareness Month in May and urges people to take charge of their health by asking their doctors about stroke risks and adopting healthy lifestyle habits to lower their risk;

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

*** ARIZONA STROKE AWARENESS MONTH ***

and urge all Arizona citizens to observe this week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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 twenty-seventh 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

*** BETA SIGMA PHI WEEK ***

[M07-179]

WHEREAS, Beta Sigma Phi is an international women's friendship network that provides educational programs to its members and opportunities for service to others with approximately 165,000 members of which 2,344 Arizona women participate; and

WHEREAS, providing service to fellow individuals and reaching out to improve the world has become a guiding factor in the contributions of Beta Sigma Phi; and

WHEREAS, world-wide projects have included donations to Alzheimer's Association, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Cystic Fibrosis, Multiple Sclerosis, Ranch Hope, Inc., Mid-America Heart Institute, and many other national foundations. In Arizona, donations include support of St. Elizabeth's of Hungary Breast Cancer Detection Unit in Tucson, Maricopa County Hospital, Phoenix Children's Hospital, Veteran's Hospital, John C. Lincoln Outreach Programs, West Valley Child Crisis Center, Downtown Urban Community Kids, HomeBase Teen Shelter, Komen Race for the Cure, Arizona Beta Sigma Phis Against Domestic Abuse, Faith House, New Life Center, numerous food banks, homeless shelters, our soldiers in Iraq, and

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many, many more; and

WHEREAS, Beta Sigma Phi, celebrating 75 years, has provided support and genuine concern in all these areas, has benefited many organizations and individuals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 22 through April 28, 2007 as

*** BETA SIGMA PHI WEEK ***

in Arizona and encourage all Arizonans to take time to recognize the services this organization has rendered and to acknowledge the importance of these noble endeavors.

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 twenty-seventh 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

*** COVER THE UNINSURED WEEK ***

[M07-197]

WHEREAS, almost a million Arizonans do not have health care coverage and nearly a third of Arizonans without health care coverage are children; and

WHEREAS, according to a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation study the uninsured are less healthy and die younger than those who have coverage; and

WHEREAS, the uninsured often delay needed health care causing needless suffering, increased work absenteeism, loss of productivity, and a reduced quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the price of health care coverage continues to rise causing fewer individuals and families to be able to afford to pay for health care benefits and fewer small businesses are able to provide employer sponsored coverage for their employees; and

WHEREAS, private health insurance coverage and government sponsored health care coverage programs are important to the health security and wellness of Arizonans, the economic vitality of Arizona's businesses, as well as the financial health of Arizona's health care industry which shoulders the emergency care burden and the financial consequences of uncompensated care of the uninsured; and

WHEREAS, it is important to Arizona to reduce the number of individuals and business without health care coverage so that all of our citizens have access to care – whether through the private or public sector coverage options; and

WHEREAS, public and private sector organizations and business alike recognize the urgency of reducing the number of Arizonans without health care coverage and the need for continued dialogue and public/private initiatives to provide private and government sponsored solutions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby declare April 23-29, 2007 as

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*** COVER THE UNINSURED WEEK ***

and support discussions and programs to raise public awareness of the problem of the uninsured in Arizona.

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 second day of April 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

*** MASSING OF THE COLORS AND SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE DAY ***

[M07-181]

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we honor American patriots who made the supreme sacrifice in the wars and conflicts in which our country has engaged; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that a period of time be set aside and consecrated during which we may revere and honor the memory of these honored dead, pay due homage to their valor, deeds, and sacrifice, and reflect upon their high service to our community and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, it is for us, the living, to rededicate ourselves to the preservation of the heritage, traditions, and ideals for which these patriots gave their lives, that our Flag may forever wave in freedom and our people never suffer the burden of oppression; and

WHEREAS, the 43rd annual Massing of the Colors and Service of Remembrance is made possible by a joint venture of the Phoenix chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 15, 2007 as

*** MASSING OF THE COLORS AND SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE DAY ***

and urge all Arizonans to honor and revere the memory of all who have died on the battlefield in defense of our beloved land, in the preservation of the ideals on which our nation was founded, and upon which it has endured.

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 seventh day of April 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

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*** MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND AWARENESS MONTH ***

[M07-178]

WHEREAS, motorcycle riding is a popular form of recreation and transportation for thousands of people across Arizona and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, the safe operation of a motorcycle requires the use of special skills developed through a combination of training and experience, the use of good judgment, and thorough knowledge of traffic laws and licensing requirements; and

WHEREAS, it is especially important that the residents of Arizona be aware of motorcycles on the streets and highways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and

WHEREAS, during May 2007, all highway users are being encouraged uniting in the safe sharing of roadways throughout Arizona;

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

*** MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND 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 twenty-sixth 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

*** NATIONAL RADIOLOGICAL NURSES DAY ***

[M07-185]

WHEREAS, the American Radiological Nurses Association (ARNA) was founded in 1981 as the professional organization representing nurses who practice in diagnostic and therapeutic imaging environments; and

WHEREAS, radiology nurses provide, promote, and maintain continuity of quality patient care in imaging environments, promote the specialty of radiology nursing as well as excellence in radiology nursing; and

WHEREAS, radiology nurses demonstrate innovative techniques and approaches in health care to better meet the needs of patients and their families; and

WHEREAS, radiology nurses influence public policy and legislation affecting health care and are strong advocates for the nursing profession and the delivery of top quality health care;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby recognize April 14, 2007 as

*** NATIONAL RADIOLOGICAL NURSES DAY ***

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 twenty-first day of February in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two

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Hundred and Thirty-first.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** PUBLIC WORKS WEEK ***

[M07-184]

WHEREAS public works infrastructure, facilities and services are of vital importance to the health, safety and well-being of the people of Arizona; and

WHEREAS such facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, engineers and administrators -- representing State and local units of Government -- who are responsible for and must design, build, operate, and maintain the transportation, water supply, sewage and refuse disposal systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential to serve our citizens; and

WHEREAS it is in the public interest for the citizens and civic leaders of this country to gain knowledge of and to maintain a progressive interest in the public works needs and programs of their respective communities;

WHEREAS Arizonans should join with representatives of governmental agencies and the American Public Works Association in paying tribute to our public works employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they have made to our national health and welfare,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 20-26, 2007 to be

*** PUBLIC WORKS WEEK ***

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 second day of April 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

*** SMALL BUSINESS SUCCESS DAY ***

[M07-186]

WHEREAS, according to the Department of Labor, most of the new jobs created throughout the United States in the past decade have come from the creative efforts of entrepreneurs and small businesses; and

WHEREAS, entrepreneurs have been the source of economic innovation throughout the history of the Nation; and the entire society has been improved by people who successfully market their ideas; and

WHEREAS, entrepreneurs are engaged citizens who work to improve the economic environment and provide opportunities in their local communities; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Small Business Development Center Network served more than 12,997 Arizonans in 2006, and businesses assisted by the Center have almost doubled the national average chance of surviving; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's community colleges have spent more than \$22 million in the Network's 18-year history to serve over 145,000 Arizona entrepreneurs and prospective owners;

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 11, 2007 as

*** SMALL BUSINESS SUCCESS DAY ***

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 second day of April 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

*** VALLEY BIKE MONTH***

[M07-180]

WHEREAS, riding your bike is a great alternative to driving to work, to school or getting into the car for short errands; and

WHEREAS, bicycling contributes to the improvement of the air quality all over the Valley; and

WHEREAS, bicycling is an excellent source of exercise that improves the health of Arizona residents; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all levels of government, employers both large and small, as well as community groups from across the State of Arizona to encourage bicycling as a transportation option; and

WHEREAS, it is important to understand the importance of safe bicycle use, including the use of helmets, and strict observance of traffic laws; and

WHEREAS, the month of April has been designated by Valley Metro as Bike Month to promote the safe use of bicycles for commuting, health, and fun;

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

*** VALLEY BIKE 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 twenty-sixth 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