

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 SMALL BUSINESS WEEK *

[M08-178]

WHEREAS, according to the Department of Labor, most 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 our society has been improved by people who successfully market their ideas; and

WHEREAS, entrepreneurs are engaged citizens; and

WHEREAS, small business provides the basis of our community fabric by underwriting innumerable local civic, cultural, educational and charitable endeavors; and

WHEREAS, small business has consistently provided for Arizona's growing population by providing the necessary services for Arizona's citizens, and enriched the quality of life here in Arizona;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 21-25, 2008 as

* ARIZONA SMALL BUSINESS WEEK *

in recognition of the contributions of small business to make Arizona the great state that it is.

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 Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

* ARIZONA STROKE MONTH *

[M08-185]

WHEREAS, stroke is a leading cause of serious long-term disability and the third leading cause of death in the United States, killing more than 150,000 Americans each year and 2,159 citizens of Arizona in 2006; and

WHEREAS, the themes for American Stroke Month 2008 are "Know the Stroke Warning Signs and Act in Time", to educate the public and policymakers about the importance of recognizing a stroke and acting quickly during a stroke emergency, and the "Power To End Stroke", to reduce stroke in African Americans, who are at particularly high risk of the disease, by empowering them to reduce their risk, recognize the warning signs, and respond quickly; and

WHEREAS, warning signs of stroke include sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side

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of the body; sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding; sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes; sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination; and sudden severe headache with no known cause; and

WHEREAS, Americans are more aware of the risk factors and warning signs for stroke than in the past, but still less than one in five adults can correctly identify all stroke symptoms; and

WHEREAS, new and effective treatments have been developed to treat and minimize the severity and damaging effects of strokes, but much more research is needed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2008 as

*** ARIZONA STROKE MONTH ***

urge all the citizens of our state to familiarize themselves with the warning signs, symptoms, and risk factors associated with stroke so that we might begin to reduce the devastating effects of stroke on our population.

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*** ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH ***

[M08-184]

WHEREAS, Arizona's children are without a doubt its most valuable and precious resource; and

WHEREAS, asthma is a serious health problem which affects hundreds of thousands of Arizona children; and

WHEREAS, many children in Arizona miss school, are hospitalized and will suffer physically from the effects of asthma; and

WHEREAS, the healthy future of Arizona's children who deal with asthma depends upon our commitment to providing the best asthma education, prevention and treatment possible; and

WHEREAS, appropriate asthma management will enable Arizona children who suffer from this disease to lead a normal life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2008 as

*** ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH ***

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*** BUILDING SAFETY WEEK ***

[M08-180]

WHEREAS, building safety affects many aspects of life, and because of construction codes enforcement, people enjoy the comfort of structures that are safe and sound; and

WHEREAS, building safety and fire-prevention officials work with citizens to address building safety and fire prevention concerns; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated members of the International Code Council, in partnership with building and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, and others in the construction industry, develop and enforce the codes that safeguard Americans in the buildings where we live, work, play and learn; and

WHEREAS, construction codes provide safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters that can occur all across the country, including snowstorms, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildland fires, and earthquakes, and construction codes also work to minimize other potential building catastrophes; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Week, sponsored by the International Code Council, is an opportunity to educate the public and to increase public awareness of the role building safety and fire prevention-officials, local and state building departments, and federal agencies play in the first line of defense to protect the public; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play"; encourages all Americans to raise our awareness of building safety and take appropriate steps to ensure the places where we live, work, play and learn are safe; and

WHEREAS, this year, as we observe Building Safety Week, I ask everyone to consider projects to improve building safety at home and in the community, and to recognize the local building safety and fire prevention officials and the important role that they play in public safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 5-11, 2008 as

*** BUILDING SAFETY WEEK ***

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*** LOYALTY WEEK ***

[M08-181]

WHEREAS, May 1st of each year is designated as Loyalty Day by Congressional Act 85-529 of 1958. Loyalty Day serves as that specific occasion when all American citizens should publicly reaffirm their complete loyalty to the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, in the past years there has been a resurgence of patriotic pride. The United States flag can be seen flying every-

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where to indicate a symbol of unity, to remember the brave men and women serving in our military and to remember those who have died for our country; and

WHEREAS, this Nation is kept strong and free by the loyal citizens who preserve our precious American Heritage through their positive patriotic declarations and actions; and

WHEREAS, all loyal citizens should make it their duty to inspire complete patriotism among all of our peoples; and

WHEREAS, we urgently need a vigorous display of true red, white, and blue Americanism, thus convincing friends and foe alike that our nation is firmly united for self-preservation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 1-7, 2008 as

*** LOYALTY WEEK ***

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*** LYME DISEASE EDUCATION AWARENESS MONTH ***

[M08-183]

WHEREAS, Lyme disease is a vector-borne bacterial infectious disease that has been reported in Arizona and in forty-eight other states; and

WHEREAS, if not diagnosed properly in its early stages of infection, Lyme disease can develop into a chronic, disabling, multi-system illness; and

WHEREAS, patients with Lyme disease and co-infections need to receive proper clinical diagnoses, and patients need treatment to improve their quality of life, so bacteria will not multiply and ravage their immune-compromised bodies; and

WHEREAS, there are two published standards of care for the treatment of Lyme disease; and

WHEREAS, L.E.A.P Arizona, Inc., Lyme Education Awareness Program, a non-profit public charity, encourages all health care providers in Arizona to utilize published standards of care when providing treatment and benefits to Lyme disease patients;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2008 as

*** LYME DISEASE EDUCATION AWARENESS MONTH ***

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*** MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND AWARENESS MONTH ***

[M08-187]

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, all highway users are being encouraged to join in the safe sharing of the roadways throughout Arizona;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2008 as

*** MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND AWARENESS MONTH ***

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*** T'AI CHI AND QIGONG DAY ***

[M08-179]

WHEREAS, World T'ai Chi and Qigong Day is now celebrated in 60 nations annually; and

WHEREAS, T'ai Chi, a traditional Chinese exercise is a series of mindful relaxed movements, increasingly found to have health benefits for people of all ages, many fitness levels; and

WHEREAS, numerous studies have pointed to the benefits of T'ai Chi; and

WHEREAS, World T'ai Chi & Qigong Day is meant to bring practitioners together, and allow people to learn more about T'ai Chi and Qigong through this day of celebration and practice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2008 as

*** T'AI CHI AND QIGONG DAY ***

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

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*** ARIZONA RIVERS MONTH ***

[M08-177]

WHEREAS, Arizona has few remaining perennially flowing rivers and is committed to protecting those that do remain, such as the San Pedro River, the Verde River, Fossil Creek, Oak Creek, the Little Colorado River, the Santa Maria River, the Bill Williams River, and Cienega Creek; and

WHEREAS, the quality of life in Arizona is particularly enhanced by the vitality of our precious and rare flowing rivers; and

WHEREAS, residents of Arizona hike, camp, kayak, float, fish, ride horses, and recreate along these rivers; and

WHEREAS, giant, river-dependent cottonwood and willow trees provide shelter and shade to people and wildlife, and petroglyphs in Arizona canyons along rivers provide evidence of human habitation stretching back thousands of years; and

WHEREAS, Arizona rivers provide crucial riparian habitat for many mammal species—the San Pedro has the second highest diversity of mammals in the world, and the Verde supports the only population of river otters in the State—and have some of the highest densities of breeding birds in the United States. Sensitive and rare avian species, such as the western yellow-billed cuckoo, southwestern willow flycatcher and Arizona's bald eagle depend on flowing desert rivers; and

WHEREAS, more than half of the State's native fish are classified as Wildlife of Special Concern in Arizona and are listed as threatened or endangered under the federal Endangered Species Act; and

WHEREAS, in Arizona, three-quarters of all vertebrate species depend on riparian habitat for at least some portion of their life cycles; and

WHEREAS, Arizona rivers face increasing pressure and threats as our population and water needs grow and due to the potential erosion of protections under recent U.S. Supreme Court and federal agency decisions implementing the Clean Water Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 2008 as

*** ARIZONA RIVERS MONTH ***

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