

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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*** VIRAL HEPATITIS AWARENESS MONTH ***

[M08-182]

WHEREAS, hepatitis A is one of the most frequently reported vaccine-preventable diseases in the United States; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 1.25 million persons are chronically infected with hepatitis B in the United States, of which 30%-40% acquired their infection during early childhood; and

WHEREAS, approximately 80% of all liver cancer is attributable to hepatitis B, which is vaccine-preventable; and

WHEREAS, hepatitis C infection is the most common chronic blood borne infection in the United States, for which there is no vaccine; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 4.1 million Americans and 100,000 Arizonans are infected with hepatitis C, with nearly one-half of them unaware of their infection; and

WHEREAS, up to 85% of Arizonans infected with the hepatitis C virus become chronic and may develop liver disease, cirrhosis and liver cancer; and

WHEREAS, direct medical costs of hepatitis C-related liver cancer is projected to reach \$10.7 billion Nationwide from 2010-2019; and

WHEREAS, chronic hepatitis B and C account for over 50% of new cases of chronic liver disease, a leading cause of death; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Arizona Hepatitis C Coalition is to mobilize resources for the prevention and management of hepatitis C infection and its consequences by advocating, advising, education, and supporting Arizona's communities;

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

*** VIRAL HEPATITIS 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 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

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*** WORKPLACE SAFETY WEEK ***

[M08-188]

WHEREAS, workplace accidents are preventable through training and awareness; and

WHEREAS, workplace injuries and fatalities cost businesses billions of dollars each year; and

WHEREAS, SCF Arizona, through its statewide Safety Works Expos, has assisted in reducing the injury rates among Arizona workers; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona believes that the health of our workers and employees is vital to the future growth and economic vitality of our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 4-10, 2008 as

*** WORKPLACE SAFETY 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 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 PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL WEEK ***
*** ARIZONA PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY ***

[M08-197]

WHEREAS, the peace officers of the State of Arizona are known for their devotion and dedication to the pursuit of preserving the peace and safety of every man, woman, and child in this State; and

WHEREAS, the peace officers of the State of Arizona are engaged in a difficult and sometimes dangerous profession which, at times, can lead to injury or even the death of these officers; and

WHEREAS, each day, the peace officers of the State of Arizona endeavor to reduce crime on our streets, dangers on our highways and roadways, and injury and death of our citizens, as well as protect us from all other kinds of crimes; and

WHEREAS, the peace officers of the State of Arizona also engage in crime prevention programs designed to further enhance the peace and safety of all citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 4-10, 2008 as

*** ARIZONA PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL WEEK ***

and May 5, 2008 as

*** ARIZONA PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY ***

and urge all citizens of the State to recognize and remember the sacrifices that these officers and their families have made and the legacy which they have entrusted to all of us.

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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Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eleventh 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

*** EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK ***

[M08-201]

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care of those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery date of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 18-24, 2008 as

*** EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 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 eleventh 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

*** NURSES WEEK ***

[M08-200]

WHEREAS, the nearly 2.9 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and

WHEREAS, the depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and

WHEREAS, the American Nurses Association, as the voice for the registered nurses of this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventive health care; and

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WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and

WHEREAS, the demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technology, and the explosive growth of home health care services; and

WHEREAS, the cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care delivery system in the future; and

WHEREAS, along with the American Nurses Association, the Arizona Nurses Association will celebrate Nurses Week 2008 in celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and map out the way to improve our health care system:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 6-12, 2008 as

*** NURSES 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 eleventh 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

*** SCHOOL NURSE DAY ***

[M08-199]

WHEREAS, registered professional school nurses are a vital part of insuring the optimum health and well-being of all Arizona's school children; and

WHEREAS, these nurses are certified through educational preparation and experience and continue to coordinate many diverse programs, such as varied health screenings, counseling, substance abuse awareness, human growth and development, to facilitate the comprehensive management of each child's physical and psychological state of being; and

WHEREAS, school nurses assist many students with special education or health-related needs to successfully manage their conditions, thus maximizing their potential to complete their studies and their social development; and

WHEREAS, professional school nurses assess, plan, and implement cost effective nursing services within the school setting to maintain the optimal emotional and physical well being of all school children in our State;

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

*** SCHOOL NURSE 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 eleventh day of April in the year Two Thousand Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the

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ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** PUBLIC WORKS WEEK ***

[M08-202]

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; and

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 18-24, 2008 as

*** 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 fifteenth 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

*** VIETNAM REMEMBRANCE DAY ***

[M08-203]

WHEREAS, on August 7, 1964, the United States Congress passed the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution, giving President Lyndon B. Johnson the power to take whatever actions he deemed necessary to defend Southeast Asia; and

WHEREAS, United States military personnel of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard endured a long and difficult mission which officially began on August 5, 1964 and ended on May 7, 1975 and during that period, 2.5 million members of our Armed Forces participated in the Vietnam War sustaining a high degree of permanent injuries and loss of life, including 613 casualties from the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, America's involvement and support of South Vietnam in its fight for freedom from oppression by the government of North Vietnam has been forever embedded in the grateful hearts and minds of the former citizens of South Vietnam and today, the citizens of the United States, along with families and friends, appreciate and remember those Americans and South Vietnamese who served fought, were wounded, or died during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2008. Vietnam Veterans and the South Vietnamese community of this state will pay special

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acknowledgement of the 15th Annual Vietnam Remembrance Day to commemorate the 33rd anniversary of the end of the war with speakers, presentations, displays, and festivities to honor all Vietnam Veterans; and

WHEREAS, Vietnam Veterans are national heroes and I call upon all Arizonans to remember their lives, deeds, courage, and commitment to America, just as we honor our soldiers who are still in harms way; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's Vietnam Veterans and South Vietnamese community advocate the commemoration of the United States involvement in Vietnam, reaffirm their dedication, and recognize the bond they hold by raising the flags of the United States and South Vietnam as a tribute to their brotherhood;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 27, 2008 as

*** VIETNAM REMEMBRANCE DAY ***

throughout the State of Arizona and call upon all Arizonans to remember and honor the those who sacrificed or died, their deeds, courage, and commitment of Vietnam Veterans who fought during the Vietnam War.

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 sixteenth 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

*** INFANT IMMUNIZATION WEEK ***

[M08-189]

WHEREAS, vaccines are among the 20th Century's most successful and cost-effective public health tools available for preventing disease and death; and

WHEREAS, childhood immunizations are universally recognized as one of the most cost effective means of preventing early childhood diseases such as polio, measles, mumps, rubella, rotavirus, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, hepatitis A, hepatitis B, Haemophilus influenza type b, and chickenpox; and

WHEREAS, these diseases can cause serious, life-long side effects including physical disability, blindness, hearing loss, mental retardation, or death; and

WHEREAS, the suffering or death from a vaccine-preventable disease is an unnecessary human tragedy; and

WHEREAS, despite recent gains in infant immunization coverage, more than 27 percent of the Arizona's two-year-olds are still not fully immunized against infectious diseases to which they are especially vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, children need a series of vaccinations, starting at birth, to be fully protected against 14 potentially serious diseases; and

WHEREAS, the support and promotion of immunization requires strong partnerships based on common goals among federal, state, and local governments, schools, health care professionals, and community members; and

WHEREAS, immunizations are one of the most important ways parents can protect their children against serious diseases; and

WHEREAS, the week of April 19-26, 2008 has been declared National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW) to help promote

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that children have all their vaccinations by the age of two; and

WHEREAS, Infant Immunization Week focuses local, state and national attention on the importance of proper immunization for infants and toddlers 24 months and under;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 19-26, 2008 as

*** INFANT IMMUNIZATION WEEK ***

and encourage public and private health care providers, parents, and children's caregivers in this state to advance the health of children by ensuring early and on-time immunization against vaccine preventable childhood diseases.

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 May 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

*** WATER SAFETY MONTH ***

WHEREAS, the citizens of Arizona promote the vital role that education regarding the topic of water safety plays in preventing drowning and recreational water-related injuries; and

[M08-190]

WHEREAS, the citizens of Arizona can be guaranteed the safest water-related recreational activities by participating in recreation at treated-water aquatics facilities; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Arizona recognize the vital importance of abiding by the rules set forth by the guardianship of trained and certified aquatics professionals who develop water-safety rules with their prudent enjoyment in mind; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona identifies effective water-safety programs as the best way to prevent drowning and recreational water-related injuries;

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

*** WATER SAFETY 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 ninth day of May 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