



**GOVERNOR PROCLAMATIONS**

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

**\* BUFFALO SOLDIERS DAY \***

[M15-183]

**WHEREAS**, African-Americans have fought with distinction in all of this country's military engagements; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 28, 1866, Congress established a peacetime army founding six new African-American units, the 9th and 10th Cavalry, and the 38th, 39th, 40th and 41st Infantry. Later on, the 38th and 41st reorganized as the 25th Infantry, and the 39th and 40th reorganized as the 24th Infantry; and

**WHEREAS**, these soldiers were nicknamed Buffalo Soldiers by the Native Americans because of their reputation for fighting ferociously to the end in battle; and

**WHEREAS**, Buffalo Soldiers were responsible for escorting settlers, cattle herds and railroad crews, exploring and mapping vast areas of the Southwest, stringing hundreds of miles of telegraph lines, and helping in the expansion of the West; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout the era of the Indian Wars, Buffalo Soldiers were posted from Montana in the Northwest to Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona in the Southwest making up approximately 20 percent of the United States Cavalry troopers; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important for the citizens of Arizona to preserve the history of the Buffalo Soldiers and commemorate the sacrifices they have made to the State and to this Nation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 19, 2015 as

**\* BUFFALO SOLDIERS 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**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this ninth day of April in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M15-184]

**WHEREAS**, all children deserve to grow up safe, loved and well-cared for; and

**WHEREAS**, the family, serving as the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem and support, is the very foundation of our communities and our State; and

**WHEREAS**, Foster Care Awareness Month is a time for all Arizonans to show their support in ensuring a bright future for Arizona's children in foster care by recognizing the people who take on the joys and responsibilities of caring for children who cannot remain safely in their homes; and

**WHEREAS**, in Arizona, there are nearly seventeen thousand children living safely in foster care; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a desperate need for additional families to answer the call to become a foster and adoptive parents in Arizona.



NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as

**\* FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH \***

and I further urge all citizens to come forward and do something positive that will help change a lifetime for children in foster care.

**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**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* HEPATITIS AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M15-185]

**WHEREAS**, an estimated 4.4 million Americans are living with chronic viral hepatitis, which includes an estimated 80,000 Arizonans living with hepatitis C, and with 75 percent of these unaware of their infection; and

**WHEREAS**, viral hepatitis is one of the most common infectious diseases in Arizona with over 1,000 cases of hepatitis B and over 10,000 cases of hepatitis C reported each year; and

**WHEREAS**, viral hepatitis is the leading cause of liver cancer and liver transplants and more people die from hepatitis C than HIV; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the United States Preventive Services Task Force recommend all people born in Asia and the Pacific Islands get tested for hepatitis B and all people born between 1945 and 1965 get tested for hepatitis C; and

**WHEREAS**, the national action plan for the prevention, care and treatment of viral hepatitis includes preventing hepatitis A and B through vaccination and reducing the spread of viral hepatitis; and

**WHEREAS**, hepatitis B and C are common bloodborne infections in the United States and can be prevented by not sharing needles, syringes and other personal items such as razors or toothbrushes; and

**WHEREAS**, the burden of viral hepatitis may be reduced through public and provider education, including promotion of early diagnosis; and

**WHEREAS**, advances in hepatitis C treatments offer simpler dosing, shorter treatment durations, fewer side effects, and most importantly, a cure for most patients; and

**WHEREAS**, the public health agencies, health centers, behavioral health clinics, and community organizations are united to educate the public and healthcare providers about viral hepatitis in Arizona.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as

**\* 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

**Douglas A. Ducey**  
**G O V E R N O R**



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

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* ICE CREAM MONTH \***

[M15-186]

**WHEREAS**, ice cream is a delicious and cool summertime snack and has earned a reputation as the perfect desert food; and

**WHEREAS**, July temperatures will reach over 100 degrees in Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, the production of ice cream contributes substantial amounts of business to Arizona’s dairy industry; and

**WHEREAS**, the average American eats 48 pints of ice cream each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States produces more ice cream than any other country in the world.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim July 2015 as

**\* ICE CREAM MONTH \***

and I further encourage Arizona citizens and visitors to indulge in a tasty scoop of ice cream in an effort to stay cool during the hot month of July.

**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**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH \***

[M15-187]

**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 2015 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**  
**G O V E R N O R**

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this ninth day of April in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* LAKES APPRECIATION MONTH \***

[M15-188]

WHEREAS, lakes and reservoirs are among Arizona’s most valuable natural resources; and

WHEREAS, lakes and reservoirs provide drinking water, irrigation, energy, recreation, scenic beauty, and habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, these beneficial uses have been of vital importance to Arizona’s history, growth, and financial health; and

WHEREAS, our lakes and reservoirs improve the quality of life for all of Arizona’s residents and their importance should not go unnoticed; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona recognizes the need to manage these lakes and reservoirs for future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim July 2015 as

**\* LAKES APPRECIATION 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**  
**G O V E R N O R**

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-second day of June in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* SMART IRRIGATION MONTH \***

[M15-189]

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona recognizes that water is a finite resource that is vital to human life; and

WHEREAS, well-maintained green spaces are important to the health and well being of communities and individuals; and

WHEREAS, abundant supplies of affordable food and fiber raise the standard of living for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, appropriate irrigation technology, combined with best practices, can significantly reduce water usage and runoff while creating healthy lawns, landscaping, and sports turf; and

WHEREAS, appropriate irrigation technology, combined with best practices, can significantly improve water-use efficiency and reduce runoff while achieving greater agricultural yields per acre foot of water used; and

WHEREAS, July is a peak month for the use of water for irrigation; and



NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim July 2015 as

**\* SMART IRRIGATION MONTH \***

and I further encourage citizens to recognize the advances in irrigation technology and practices that help raise healthy plants and increase crop yields while using water more efficiently; and to encourage the adoption of smart irrigation practices to further improve water-use efficiency in agriculture, residential and commercial activities.

**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**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this thirtieth day of June in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**

**\* WORLD CLUBFOOT DAY \***

[M15-190]

**WHEREAS**, the late Dr. Ignacio Ponseti developed the low-cost, non-surgical, highly effective Ponseti Method which is now the globally recognized standard of care for treating clubfoot deformity; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of thousands of individuals, from every country, suffer lives of disability when not receiving proper treatment for this deformity; and

**WHEREAS**, serious impediments to the delivery of the Ponseti Method for treating clubfoot include stigma and lack of awareness that clubfoot is treatable using Dr. Ponseti’s Method; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ponseti International Association was established in 2006 to realize the vision of a “world free of untreated clubfoot deformity”; and

**WHEREAS**, June 3<sup>rd</sup> is the anniversary of the birth of Dr. Ignacio Ponseti.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 3, 2015 as

**\* WORLD CLUBFOOT 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**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-ninth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

**ATTEST:**  
**Secretary of State**  
**Michele Reagan**