



**GOVERNOR PROCLAMATIONS**

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

**\* AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M15-225]

**WHEREAS**, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), better known as Lou Gehrig's disease, is a fatal neurodegenerative disease characterized by degeneration of cell bodies of the lower motor neurons in the gray matter of the anterior horns of the spinal cord, with weakness of the skeletal muscles, especially those of the extremities being the initial symptom; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 30,000 individuals in the United States are afflicted with ALS, with 5,000 new patients diagnosed each year; and

**WHEREAS**, ALS does not affect a patient's mental capacity, so that the patient remains alert and aware of his or her loss of motor functions and the inevitable outcome of continued deterioration and death; and

**WHEREAS**, ALS strikes a person regardless of race, sex, age, or ethnicity and has no known cause, means of prevention, or cure and as ALS progresses the patient experiences difficulty in swallowing, talking, and breathing eventually causing the muscles to atrophy and the patient becomes a functional quadriplegic; and

**WHEREAS**, on average, patients diagnosed with ALS only survive two to five years from the time of diagnosis; and

**WHEREAS**, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month increases the public's awareness of ALS patients' circumstances and acknowledges the terrible impact this disease has not only on the patient, but on his or her family and the community and recognizes the research being done to eradicate this horrible disease.

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

**\* AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS 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:**

**Michele Reagan**  
**Secretary of State**



**\* EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK \*  
\*TRAUMA AWARENESS MONTH\***

[M15-226]

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers serve 6.5 million Arizonans; and

**WHEREAS**, the men and women of Arizona's EMS must act quickly, accurately, and skillfully in performing lifesaving procedures in dangerous and austere situations 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; and

**WHEREAS**, a strong EMS system facilitates access to quality emergency care that dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

**WHEREAS**, trauma is the leading cause of death for individuals up to the age of 45 years and a significant public health concern; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's EMS providers and 38 state designated trauma centers, including specially trained staff, provide rapid assessment, treatment, and referral of more than 30,000 injured Arizonans to trauma centers annually; and

**WHEREAS**, EMS providers and trauma center staff work hand-in-hand to coordinate the assessment, treatment, and transport of injured Arizonans.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 17 – 23, 2015 as**

**\* EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK \***

and May 2015 as

**\* TRAUMA 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 twenty-sixth 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:**

**Michele Reagan**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* FOOD ALLERGY AND ANAPHYLAXIS AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M15-227]

**WHEREAS**, as many as 15 million Americans have food allergies and nearly 6 million are children under the age of 18; and

**WHEREAS**, research shows that the prevalence of food allergy is increasing among children; and

**WHEREAS**, eight foods cause 90 percent of all food allergy reactions in the United States: shellfish, fish, milk, eggs, tree nuts, peanuts, soy, and wheat. Symptoms of a food-allergic reaction can include hives, vomiting, diarrhea, respiratory distress, and swelling of the throat; and



**WHEREAS**, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, food allergy results in more than 300,000 ambulatory care visits a year involving children under the age of 18. Reactions typically occur when an individual unknowingly eats a food containing an ingredient to which they are allergic; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no cure for food allergy. Strict avoidance of the offending food is the only way to prevent an allergic reaction; and

**WHEREAS**, anaphylaxis is a serious allergic reaction that is rapid in onset and may cause death; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Food Allergy Alliance (AFAA) is a statewide, non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness about food allergy and anaphylaxis.

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

**\* FOOD ALLERGY AND ANAPHYLAXIS AWARENESS MONTH \***

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

**\* OLDER AMERICANS MONTH \***

[M15-228]

**WHEREAS**, Arizona is proud to be home to more than 1.3 million older Americans who deserve appreciation and respect for the contributions that they have made and will continue to make to our State; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona has experienced unparalleled growth in the older adult population across all communities and within the next decade there will be as many people over 65 years of age as under 15 years of age living in Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona is devoted to helping all individuals live longer, healthier lives in the communities of their choice for as long as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1965, the Older Americans Act has provided services that help older adults remain healthy and independent by complementing existing medical and health care systems, helping prevent hospital readmissions, and supporting some of life's most basic functions; and

**WHEREAS**, these programs also support family caregivers, address issues of exploitation, neglect and abuse of older adults, and adapt services to the needs of American Indian elders; and

**WHEREAS**, our community can provide opportunities to help older adults take control of their health, get engaged in their communities, and positively impact the lives of others in their communities; and



**WHEREAS**, Arizona recognizes the many essential programs and services that support older adults and the importance of working collaboratively with community partners to make the benefits of community living a reality for more older Americans.

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

**\* OLDER AMERICANS MONTH \***

and I further urge citizens to take time this month to recognize older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital citizens who greatly contribute to the community.

**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-third 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:**

**Michele Reagan**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* PROBATION, PAROLE AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION WEEK \***

[M15-229]

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona is proud to recognize the Community Corrections and Probation personnel responsible for monitoring the activities of adult and juvenile offenders under the supervision of the State of Arizona and the Courts; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Corrections and Probation professionals diligently ensure that offenders receive services and guidance in making the transition from incarceration to a more stable, productive life in the communities they reside; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Corrections and Probation professionals involve the community in efforts to ensure justice and enhance public safety, and work in partnership with community agencies and groups to promote prevention and intervention contributing to more peaceful neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Corrections and Probation professionals collaborate on solutions that provide services, support, and protection for crime victims; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona pays tribute to this group of men and women who maintain the highest standards and idealism of professionalism while continuing to make a positive difference. These men and women face tremendous challenges working in a dangerous profession that rarely yields any thanks for the risks that are taken.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim July 12 – 18, 2015 as

**\* PROBATION, PAROLE AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION WEEK \***

and I further encourage all Arizona citizens to pause and honor these professionals for the important record of public services faithfully rendered and 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

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

**\* PUBLIC WORKS WEEK \***

[M15-230]

**WHEREAS**, public works infrastructure, facilities and services are of vital importance to sustainable communities and 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, managers and employees from state and local government and the private sector, who are responsible for and who plan, design, build, operate, and maintain the transportation, water supply, water treatment, public buildings, structures and facilities, and who deliver solid waste services, transit, and fleet services which are essential to serve our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the public interest to gain knowledge of and to maintain an interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the year 2015 marks the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 17 – 23, 2015 as

**\* PUBLIC WORKS WEEK \***

and I further urge all Arizonans to join with representatives of the Arizona Chapter of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they have made to our national health, safety, welfare and quality of life.

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



**\* WATER SAFETY MONTH \***

[M15-231]

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the vital role that swimming and other aquatic activities relate to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential to understand the crucial role that water safety education plays in preventing drowning and recreational water-related injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, significant contributions are made by the recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition in developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities providing healthy places to play, learn and grow, build self-esteem, confidence and sense of self-worth which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognize the on-going efforts and commitments to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues and initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona residents understand the vital importance of communicating water safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages, whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities, or visitors to waterparks.

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

**\* WATER SAFETY MONTH \***

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