



GOVERNOR PROCLAMATIONS

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

ARIZONA ARBOR DAY

[M16-64]

WHEREAS, in 1872, the holiday called Arbor Day was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees, and is now recognized throughout the nation and world – reminding us that one person’s initiative can make a lasting and meaningful difference; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona is committed to a community forestry program that supports a safe, healthy, and attractive urban forest for every citizen; and

WHEREAS, the Tree City USA program recognizes towns, cities and communities for their efforts to strengthen and manage their urban forests, and this year marks the 40th anniversary of this program with 29 recognized communities in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, when properly selected, planted in the right places, and tended appropriately, trees increase property values, enhance economic vitality of business districts, mitigate the heat island effect, and provide buffers for traffic; and

WHEREAS, trees play an important role in our lives by providing oxygen, combating air pollution, slowing water runoff, offering a shady place to rest, providing aesthetic beauty to communities, increasing biological diversity, providing wildlife habitat, and contributing to the splendor and viability of our forests; and

WHEREAS, a healthy urban forest can bring a sense of vibrancy or respite, adventure or calm, escape or contentment, and connection to wild nature, amidst asphalt and concrete.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2016, as

ARIZONA ARBOR 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
GOVERNOR**

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:

**Michele Reagan
SECRETARY OF STATE**

ARIZONA ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

[M16-60]

WHEREAS, thousands of people are injured and hundreds die each year in the United States as a result of electrical-related incidents; and

WHEREAS, more than six people are electrocuted each week in the United States; and

WHEREAS, property damage from home fires caused by electrical failure or malfunction amounts to more than \$1.4 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent thousands of people from being injured or killed; and

WHEREAS, citizens are encouraged to inspect their homes and workplaces for possible electrical hazards, and urged to install, test and properly maintain an adequate number of smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, citizens are advised to protect their homes and families with the latest safety technology, such as ground fault circuit interrupters, arc fault circuit interrupters, and tamper resistant receptacles; and

WHEREAS, the Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI) is dedicated exclusively to promoting electrical safety in the home, school, and workplace through education, awareness, and advocacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as

ARIZONA ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

and I further encourage the citizens of the State of Arizona to follow good electrical safety practices throughout the year.



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
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:
Michele Reagan
SECRETARY OF STATE

PUBLIC SAFETY APPRECIATION DAY

[M16-75]

WHEREAS, our law enforcement officers are the guardians of life and property, defenders of the individual right to be free, warriors in the battle against crime and are dedicated to the preservation of life and property; and

WHEREAS, our firefighters respond to fire alarms, disasters and emergency medical calls to protect life and property; and conduct necessary inspections of residential and commercial structures for fire prevention and pre-fire planning purposes; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2016, the Saint Joseph Assembly, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus will conduct its Annual Awards Dinner honoring the Fire and Police Departments for the Cities of Glendale and Peoria, and Security Forces and Fire Department of Luke Air Force Base in recognition of its dedicated service to our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 23, 2016 as

PUBLIC SAFETY APPRECIATION DAY

and I further urge Arizonans to join in giving proper recognition to our public safety men and women who protect and serve the people of this great State.

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
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-fourth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:
Michele Reagan
SECRETARY OF STATE