



**GOVERNOR PROCLAMATIONS**

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

**ALZHEIMER’S AWARENESS MONTH**

[M16-159]

**WHEREAS**, Arizona is home to 1.6 million people 60 years of age and older; with 120,000 people age 65 and older diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease in 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona’s population is expected to increase 80% from 2010 to 2050 at a growth rate of 174% for Arizonans 65 and older; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to baby boomers aging in place, Arizona attracts large number of seniors from other states as their retirement state; Arizona must prepare for the conventional rate of Alzheimer’s and dementia-related diseases to affect one in nine people age 65+ and one in three people age 85+; in addition to those with young-onset Alzheimer’s and dementia-related diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous organizations statewide are working together for the well-being of Arizona’s and their communities; these alliances are partnering to support the Arizona Alzheimer’s State Plan: A Framework for Action to bring hope to dementia patients, caregivers/care partners, families and communities to delay, prevent and find a cure for this disease; and

**WHEREAS**, it is crucial for Arizona to continue its leadership in research, quality care and support services for Alzheimer’s through networking of scientists, researchers and physicians, trial studies and public awareness and understanding.

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

**ALZHEIMER’S 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**  
**GOVERNOR**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-sixth day of May 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 FAMILY REUNIFICATION MONTH**

[M16-156]

**WHEREAS**, all children need the care, love, security and stability of family unity, including parents, siblings, grandparents, and other extended family members to provide a solid foundation for personal growth, development, and maturity; and

**WHEREAS**, whenever possible and without sacrificing child safety, keeping Arizona families together is an important goal for our communities, and is the best option for a permanent, safe and loving home for many children in foster care; and

**WHEREAS**, reunification takes work, commitment, and investment of time and resources by parents, family members, social workers, foster parents, service providers, attorneys, courts, educators, and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, for many years a number of jurisdictions in the United States have been celebrating the accomplishments of families who have overcome an array of challenges to reunify safely and successfully; and

**WHEREAS**, Family Reunification Day, June 11th, is an opportunity to recognize families who have successfully overcome the challenges that brought their children into out-of-home care.

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

**ARIZONA FAMILY REUNIFICATION 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**  
**GOVERNOR**



**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-sixth day of May 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 MONSOON AWARENESS WEEK**

[M16-157]

**WHEREAS**, it is vital that all citizens be aware of the challenge of living with extreme heat, limited water resources, extreme heat, severe weather, and floods; and

**WHEREAS**, limited water resources may cause hardships in drought stricken areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the extreme summer heat may cause life-threatening conditions among our vulnerable populations, for those who work outdoors, take part in outdoor activities or lack refuge from the heat; and

**WHEREAS**, severe storms threaten the safety of people who live and travel in Arizona with damaging high wind, dangerous dust storms, destructive hail and hazardous lightning; and

**WHEREAS**, these storms along with floodwaters that inundate our land cause property damage and threaten the health and safety of the people in our State; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Departments of Emergency and Military Affairs, Health Services, Homeland Security, Insurance, Public Safety, Transportation and Water Resources have joined with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Weather Service and the Salvation Army to recognize the need to provide periodic urban hydration support, and public education on the advantages of being prepared for drought, dust storms, extreme heat, flash flooding, and severe weather in Arizona.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 12 – 17, 2016 as

**ARIZONA MONSOON AWARENESS WEEK**

**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 second day of June 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 SCOLIOSIS AWARENESS MONTH**

[M16-158]

**WHEREAS**, scoliosis, an abnormal curvature of the spine, with no known cause (idiopathic), is a condition affecting 2-3 percent of the population, or an estimated 7 million people in the United States. Scoliosis is a condition which strikes without regard to gender, race, age or economic status; and

**WHEREAS**, the primary age of onset for scoliosis is between 10 and 15 with girls being five times more likely to progress to a curve magnitude that requires treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, an estimated 1 million scoliosis patients utilize healthcare yearly, with approximately one of every six children being diagnosed with this condition eventually being required to receive active medical treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, screening programs allow for early detection and treatment opportunities which may alleviate the worst effects of the condition; and

**WHEREAS**, we must increase the public's awareness of scoliosis and help children, parents, adults, and healthcare providers understand, recognize and treat the complexities of spinal deformities such as scoliosis.

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

**ARIZONA SCOLIOSIS AWARENESS MONTH**

and I further encourage all citizens to continue to work to both raise awareness and fight scoliosis in Arizona.

**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-sixth day of May 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**

**ARTHROGRYPOSIS AWARENESS DAY**

[M16-160]

**WHEREAS**, arthrogryposis multiplex congenital is a condition that causes many joints to be stiff and crooked at birth and lack normal range of motion; and

**WHEREAS**, arthrogryposis is an umbrella diagnosis with many syndromes and subtypes and occurs in approximately 1 in 3,000 live births and some individuals never have their type of arthrogryposis identified; and

**WHEREAS**, there are over 400 types of arthrogryposis multiplex congenital and amyoplasia, distal escobar syndrome are the more common types; and

**WHEREAS**, joints that can be affected by arthrogryposis include the hands, feet, hips, knees, elbows, shoulders, wrists, fingers, toes, the jaw and the spine and all joints can be affected but it is possible for some joints to be unaffected; and

**WHEREAS**, arthrogryposis is not curable but is treatable with stretching, various therapies (physical, occupational, speech, etc.) and some surgical interventions that can help to improve independence and quality of life.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2016 as**

**ARTHROGRYPOSIS AWARENESS 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 twenty-sixth day of May 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**

**COPA AMERICA MONTH**

[M16-161]

**WHEREAS**, Copa America, international football’s oldest continental competition, celebrates its Centennial this year; and  
**WHEREAS**, for the first time in its 100-year history, the tournament will be hosted outside of South America and played right here on United States soil; and

**WHEREAS**, sixteen teams from the Americas will compete in thirty-two matches across the United States throughout the month of June, including three in the state of Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona is proud to have been selected as one of ten hosted sites for this historic event in world football; and

**WHEREAS**, we look forward to welcoming teams and fans from across the Americas, including Mexico, Ecuador, Peru and Uruguay, to compete in the 2016 Copa America Centenario tournament.

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

**COPA AMERICA 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**  
**GOVERNOR**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this first day of June 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**