



GOVERNOR PROCLAMATIONS

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

ARIZONA AMERICAN INDIAN RIGHT TO VOTE DAY

[M16-177]

WHEREAS, American Indian people and 22 federally recognized Indian Nations and Communities have maintained residence on the lands now known as Arizona since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, we recognize members of these Tribes as citizens of their respective Tribal Nations, citizens of the State of Arizona, and citizens of the United States of America, such was not always the case; and

WHEREAS, previous to World War I, American Indians residing on tribal lands within Arizona were exempt from the draft as they were not recognized as United States citizens, more than 8,000 American Indians volunteered to serve in the United States military during World War I, in the defense of their country and our freedom; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with these contributions and advocacy by American Indian Leader, Dr. Carlos Montezuma, A Yavapai man, the United States Congress passed the Indian Citizenship Act in 1924, which guaranteed citizenship rights to American Indians, however, it did not guarantee the right to vote in Arizona elections; and

WHEREAS, Peter Porter and Rudolph Johnson, members of the Gila River Indian Community, brought an unsuccessful suit in Arizona Supreme Court seeking to secure voting rights for American Indians in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, during World War II, Congress passed the Nationality Act of 1940 to reaffirm the citizenship of American Indians which inspired more than 25,000 American Indians to serve in the military, and led some to become national heroes, such as, Ira Hayes of the Gila River Indian Community; and

WHEREAS, during World War II, American Indian Code Talkers used their respective Native languages to secure victory in the Pacific theatre; and

WHEREAS, upon their return these soldiers were again denied freedoms they fought to preserve, two Yavapai men, Frank Harrison and Harry Austin, won a landmark Arizona Supreme Court case with the help of Lemuel Mathews, Ben Mathews, and Arizona Congressman Richard F. Harless, that confirmed the rights of American Indians to vote in Arizona because “in a democracy, suffrage is the most basic civil right” and the denial of that right “does violence to the principles of freedom and equality”; and

WHEREAS, Arizona law now recognizes the right of American Indian citizens to vote in State elections, it is vital to work together to ensure eligible voters are able to exercise this fundamental right.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim July 15, 2016 as

ARIZONA AMERICAN INDIAN RIGHT TO VOTE 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 ninth 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

DON BOLLES DAY

[M16-179]

WHEREAS, on June 13, 1976, Don Bolles, an investigative reporter for the *Arizona Republic*, died from injuries sustained by a dynamite explosion rigged underneath his car; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bolles was in the process of investigating organized crime activities and government corruption in Arizona when he was murdered; and

WHEREAS, the murder of Mr. Bolles was a horrific act that is intolerable in a free democratic society that champions First Amendment freedoms including the freedom of the press; and



WHEREAS, June 13, 2016 marks the 40th anniversary of Mr. Bolles' death; and
WHEREAS, it is important for all Arizonans to reflect on the principles embodied in the First Amendment, including freedom of speech and a free press; and
WHEREAS, the liberty of the press is essential to the security of a free state; and
WHEREAS, Mr. Bolles stood courageously for these cornerstones of our democracy, free press, free speech, and transparency in government.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 13, 2016 as

DON BOLLES 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 tenth 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

RAÛL H. CASTRO DAY

[M16-181]

WHEREAS, today, June 12, 2016, is the 100th birthday of Governor Raúl Héctor Castro, 14th governor of the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Governor Castro made history by becoming Arizona's first Mexican-American governor in 1975; and

WHEREAS, Governor Castro epitomized the triumph of the human spirit and the hope of the American Dream – from humble beginnings to Arizona icon; and

WHEREAS, Governor Castro's contributions extended beyond elected office – and whether as an educator, attorney, judge, governor, ambassador or proud citizen, he strived every day to make his state and country a better and stronger place for all; and

WHEREAS, Governor Castro will forever be remembered as a devoted public servant, a beloved family man and a loyal friend and fighter for Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Governor Castro's legacy will live on through the Castro College Scholarship Fund at Northern Arizona University, the University of Arizona and the Raúl H. Castro Institute at Phoenix College.

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

RAÛL H. CASTRO 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 ninth 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

ROSE MOFFORD DAY

[M16-182]

WHEREAS, Governor Rose Mofford will celebrate her 94th birthday on June 10, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Governor Mofford was sworn into office on April 4, 1988 to become the 18th governor of Arizona, a role she served until March 6, 1991; and

WHEREAS, Governor Mofford shattered the glass ceiling by becoming Arizona's first woman governor, and to date, Arizona has had more women governors than any other state in the nation; and



WHEREAS, Governor Mofford’s years of service as governor and secretary of state, as well as her vast contributions through civic and charitable service, continue to impact and inspire the state and citizens of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Arizonans will forever honor Governor Ross Mofford as “Arizona’s First Lady,” and we extend to her our gratitude and wishes for a wonderful birthday.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 10, 2016 as

ROSE MOFFORD 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 ninth 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

SMART IRRIGATION MONTH

[M16-183]

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 2016 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
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this ninth 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

**SPECIAL ELECTION 2016
PROPOSITION 123**

[M16-168]

WHEREAS, the returns for the Special Election held on the 17th day of May 2016, have been canvassed and certified on the 26th day of May 2016, in accordance with Article IV, Part 1, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of Arizona, Sections 16-648 and 19-126 of the Arizona Revised Statutes and 2015 Ariz. Sess. Laws, 52nd Leg., 1st Spec. Sess., Ch. 2, § 5(B) (HB 2002); and

WHEREAS, Proposition 123 is an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arizona referred by the Legislature to a vote of the qualified electors; and



WHEREAS, the whole number of votes cast for and against Proposition 123 was as follows:

PROPOSITION 123: A concurrent resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution the State of Arizona; amending Article X, Section 7, Constitution of Arizona; Amending Article XI, Constitution of Arizona, by adding Section 11; relating to education finance.

YES 536,365
NO 516,949

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim the constitutional amendment proposed to the voters in the form of Proposition 123, which was approved by a majority of those voting thereon at said Special Election of the State of Arizona, to be law.

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 at 3:00 p.m. on this 26th 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