

EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF  
GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS  
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR  
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed. With the exception of egregious errors, content (including spelling, grammar, and punctuation) of these orders has been reproduced as submitted.

\* ARMENIAN REMEMBRANCE DAY \*

[M09-145]

**WHEREAS**, throughout their history, Armenians have suffered sad losses of their population; and

**WHEREAS**, these needless losses have decimated the Armenian population; and

**WHEREAS**, those who survived have continued to hope and strive for a world free of the desire to destroy any single race of people; and

**WHEREAS**, traditional to the Armenian custom, April 24th has been designated as a day to remember and honor those Armenians who lost their lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2009 as

\* ARMENIAN REMEMBRANCE DAY \*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**

\* VIETNAM REMEMBRANCE DAY \*

[M09-151]

**WHEREAS**, on August 7, 1964, the United States Congress passed the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution, giving President Lyndon B. Johnson the power to take whatever actions he deemed necessary to defend Southeast Asia; and

**WHEREAS**, United States military personnel of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard endured a long and difficult mission which officially began on August 5, 1964 and ended on May 7, 1975 and during that period, 2.5 million members of our Armed Forces participated in the Vietnam War sustaining a high degree of permanent injuries and loss of life, including 613 casualties from the State of Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, America's involvement and support of South Vietnam in its fight for freedom from oppression by the government of North Vietnam has been forever embedded in the grateful hearts and minds of the former citizens of South Vietnam and today, the citizens of the United States, along with families and friends, appreciate and remember those Americans and South Vietnamese who served, fought, were wounded, or died during the Vietnam War; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 26, 2009, Vietnam Veterans and the Vietnamese community of this state will pay special acknowledgement with the 15th Annual Vietnam Remembrance Day Ceremony to commemorate the 33rd anniversary of the end of the war with speakers, presentations, displays, and festivities to honor all Vietnam Veterans; and

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**WHEREAS**, Vietnam Veterans are national heroes, and we should remember their service and sacrifice to America, just as we honor our soldiers who are still in harms way; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's Vietnam Veterans and the Vietnamese community advocate the commemoration of the United States involvement in Vietnam, reaffirm their dedication, and recognize the bond they hold by raising the flags of the United States and South Vietnam as a tribute to their brotherhood.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2009 as

**\* VIETNAM REMEMBRANCE DAY \***

and call upon all Arizonans to remember and honor the those who sacrificed or died, and the deeds, courage, and commitment of Vietnam Veterans who fought during the Vietnam War.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARIZONA CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS \***  
[M09-153]

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Chapter of the Associated General Contractors (AGC), chartered in 1934, is a not-for-profit association of general contractors, subcontractors and other construction industry affiliated firms engaged in highway, heavy, industrial, rail and municipal-utility construction; and

**WHEREAS**, the AGC represents and serves members and the community by building and supporting a strong, responsible construction industry; and

**WHEREAS**, the core values of the AGC are skill, responsibility, integrity, free enterprise and opportunity; and

**WHEREAS**, for 75 years, the AGC has been instrumental in bringing about economic and infrastructure development in Arizona through involvement in legislative affairs, specification reviews, labor matters, highway budgeting and appropriations, education and training, and many other subjects of importance to AGC members statewide.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby recognize June 8, 2009, as the

**\* 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARIZONA CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**

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**\* FOSTER CARE MONTH \***

[M09-150]

**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**, in Arizona, there are more than 10,000 children and youth in foster care living in safe, secure and stable homes with nurturing relatives and foster families, and 1,562 children who have been adopted by loving families; and

**WHEREAS**, all young people in foster care need a meaningful connection to a caring adult who becomes a supportive and lasting presence in their lives; and

**WHEREAS**, foster, kinship and adoptive families open their homes and hearts to support children whose families are in crisis, and play a vital role in helping children and families heal; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a continued need for more foster families as many children who are unable to safely reunite with their families often find permanent homes through adoption with their foster families; and

**WHEREAS**, there are numerous individuals, public and private organizations who work to increase public awareness of the needs of children in foster care, to support children who leave foster care, and to recognize the enduring and valuable contribution of foster parents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2009 as

**\* FOSTER CARE MONTH \***

and urge all citizens to do something positive that will help change a lifetime for children and youth 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

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* GUIDE DOG MONTH \***

[M09-147]

**WHEREAS**, guide dogs and the services they provide to the blind play a vital role in the vision impaired community and should be given the recognition they deserve; and

**WHEREAS**, guide dogs, and instruction in their use, are provided free of cost to those in need through many different organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, National Guide Dog Month was created to raise awareness of what these animals mean to the people they serve and to create a campaign in support of guide dogs; and

**WHEREAS**, with nationwide support, Natural Balance, PETCO, and independent pet stores across the country anticipate raising over 2 million dollars to support guide dog associations and the seeing impaired that are in desperate need of their services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2009 as

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* LYME DISEASE EDUCATION AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M09-163]

**WHEREAS**, Lyme disease is a vector-borne bacterial infectious disease that has been reported in many state across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, if not diagnosed properly in its early stages of infection, Lyme disease can develop into a chronic, disabling, multi-system illness; and

**WHEREAS**, patients with Lyme disease and co-infections need to receive proper clinical diagnoses, and patients need treatment to improve their quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, there are two published standards of care for the treatment of Lyme disease; and

**WHEREAS**, L.E.A.P Arizona, Inc., Lyme Education Awareness Program, a non-profit public charity, encourages all health care providers in Arizona to utilize published standards of care when providing treatment and benefits to Lyme disease patients.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2009 as

**\* LYME DISEASE EDUCATION AWARENESS MONTH \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* MENTAL HEALTH MONTH \***

[M09-152]

**WHEREAS**, good mental health is a key to the academic, employment and social success of persons of all ages; and

**WHEREAS**, mental health problems do not discriminate—they know no race, creed, age limit or economic status; and

**WHEREAS**, feeling depressed or hopeless is not a normal part of growing older, and early diagnosis and treatment of mental health problems can help children reach their full potential; and

**WHEREAS**, seeking help is not a sign of weakness, and taking care of ourselves is an act of strength; and

**WHEREAS**, recovery is possible, and with the right support, individuals can be productive, have improved quality of life

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and live in communities of their choice; and

**WHEREAS**, investing in effective mental health programs saves lives and money.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2009 as

**\* MENTAL HEALTH MONTH \***

and urge all Arizonans to join me in increasing awareness of the importance of mental health and the need for appropriate, accessible services for all individuals with mental health disorders.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER MONTH \***

[M09-148]

**WHEREAS**, the Army's professional Corps of Noncommissioned Officers has a proud history that continues today with their heroic service in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, the Noncommissioned Officers (NCOs) of the Arizona Army National Guard serve with character and devotion and stand ever vigilant to answer the needs of the State and our Nation; they are "Always Ready . . . Always There"; and

**WHEREAS**, Noncommissioned Officers represent our State with distinction, and while contributing to the neighborhoods and communities in which they serve, they demonstrate the attributes of loyalty, selfless service, pride, and respect; and

**WHEREAS**, Noncommissioned Officers are the "backbone" of the Army and the Arizona Army National Guard. They are professional NCOs who operate autonomously, with confidence and competence, and we empower and trust our NCOs like no other army in the world; and

**WHEREAS**, Noncommissioned Officers of the Arizona Army National Guard embody the Warrior Ethos: lead by example, train from experience, maintain and enforce standards, and take care of Soldiers. These NCOs serve in positions that are unprecedented in terms of their scope and responsibility. Serving at home, across the State, and when called by the Nation, these Citizen-Soldiers lead and protect; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona is proud to support the Department of the Army's initiative and welcomes the opportunity to honor our Noncommissioned Officers, past and present, as well as their families, who have sacrificed greatly in the name of honor, courage and selfless service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2009 as

**\* NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER MONTH \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fifteenth day of April in the year Two

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**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**

**\* SILVER STAR BANNER DAY \***

[M09-149]

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona has always honored the sacrifice of the men and women in the Armed Forces; and

**WHEREAS**, as of April 11, 2009 the Pentagon found a conservative figure of 33,972 wounded service members in the current conflicts world wide; and

**WHEREAS**, the Silver Star Families of America was formed to make sure we remember the sacrifice of our wounded and ill by designing and manufacturing a Silver Star Service Banner and Flag; and

**WHEREAS**, to date The Silver Star Families of America has freely given thousands of Silver Star Service Banners to the wounded and ill or their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the Silver Star Families of America's mission is that every time someone sees a Silver Star Service Banner in a window or a Silver Star Flag flying, that people remember the sacrifice made by so many for this State and Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of Arizona wish that the sacrifice of so many in our Armed Forces never be forgotten.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2009 as

**\* SILVER STAR BANNER DAY \***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

**Janice K. Brewer**  
**G O V E R N O R**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**Ken Bennett**  
**Secretary of State**