

Governor's Executive Orders/Proclamations

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

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\* DRUG COURT MONTH \*

[M09-170]

**WHEREAS**, 2009 marks the 20th Anniversary of the Miami-Dade Drug Court, the first drug court in the nation, which sparked a national revolution and changed the face of the American Justice System; and

**WHEREAS**, for the past 20 years drug courts have been restoring lives, reuniting families and making communities across this nation safer; and

**WHEREAS**, drug courts provide focus and leadership for community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and public health professionals in the fight against drug abuse and criminality; and

**WHEREAS**, 60 to 80 percent of drug offenders sentenced to prison and over 40 percent sentenced to probation recidivate versus fewer than 17 percent of drug court graduates; and

**WHEREAS**, results of more than 100 program evaluations and several met analytic studies have yielded definitive evidence that drug courts are demonstratively effective and significantly improve substance-abuse treatment outcomes, substantially reduce drug abuse and crime, and do so at less expense than any other justice strategy; and

**WHEREAS**, over 25,000 judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, substance abuse and rehabilitation professionals, law enforcement and community supervision personnel, researchers and educators, national and community leaders, and others dedicated to drug courts and similar types of treatment programs are healing families and communities across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, the drug court movement has grown from 12 drug courts in 1994 to 2,301 operational drug courts and 3,410 problem solving courts as of December 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, in support of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals the state of Arizona celebrates and recognizes the practitioners and participants who make drug courts work and the significant contributions that drug courts have made, and continue to make, in reducing drug usage and crime.

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

\* DRUG COURT 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 twenty-first 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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**\* POSTPARTUM MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH \***

[M09-162]

**WHEREAS**, during the first 10 days following child birth, 70 percent of women experience changes in their emotional health regardless of race, age, culture or socioeconomic status, with 20 percent of those experiencing more severe symptoms, collectively known as Postpartum Mood Disorders (PPMD); and

**WHEREAS**, in 2007, there were 102,687 live births in the state of Arizona, resulting in an estimated 20,537 mothers who struggled with moderate to severe postpartum emotional symptoms in Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, PPMD has been called "The most significant complication associated with childbirth" and can interfere with mother-infant bonding and disrupt the entire family unit; and

**WHEREAS**, with proper awareness, education, intervention, and resources, Postpartum Mood Disorders are nearly 100 percent treatable; and

**WHEREAS**, increasing public awareness among all Arizona families on the prevalence, identification and treatment of Postpartum Mood Disorders has significant potential to save lives and prevent the unnecessary suffering experienced by so many families following childbirth.

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

**\* POSTPARTUM MENTAL HEALTH 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 twenty-first 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**

**\* PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK \***

[M09-167]

**WHEREAS**, Americans are served every single day by public servants at the federal, state, county, and city levels; and

**WHEREAS**, these unsung heroes do the work that keeps our Nation working; and

**WHEREAS**, many public servants, including military personnel, police officers, firefighters, border patrol officers, embassy employees, health care professional and others, risk their lives each day in service to the people of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, public servants include teachers, doctors and scientists, train conductors and astronauts, nurses and safety inspectors, laborers, computer technicians and social workers and countless others who, day in and day out provide the diverse services demanded by the American people of their government with efficiency and integrity; and

**WHEREAS**, without these public servants at every level, continuity would be impossible in a democracy that regularly changes its leaders and elected officials.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 4-10, 2009 as

**\* PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK \***

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

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first 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**

**\* TOXIC SUBSTANCES AWARENESS AND EDUCATION MONTH \***

[M09-161]

**WHEREAS**, people of all ages throughout Arizona have developed illnesses and disabilities from exposures to toxic substances; and

**WHEREAS**, toxic substances can cause harmful effects characterized by heightened sensitivity to very small amounts of air pollution, petrochemicals and other toxins found in our everyday products and environment; and

**WHEREAS**, harmful effects can be caused by short-term or chronic exposure to one or more chemicals and solvents, and can affect people of every age, race and background; and

**WHEREAS**, toxic substances may cause multiple illnesses affecting all parts of the body, including the respiratory, central nervous and immune systems; and

**WHEREAS**, those suffering from toxic substances deserve the same rights allotted to other illnesses and disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, these illnesses and the lack of knowledge and qualified doctors warrant further education in this field and for the public in general.

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

**\* TOXIC SUBSTANCES AWARENESS AND EDUCATION 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 twenty-first 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**

**\* WORKPLACE SAFETY WEEK \***

[M09-169]

**WHEREAS**, accidents are usually the result of working in hazardous conditions, and a workplace fatality occurs in the United States every two seconds; and

**WHEREAS**, workplace accidents are preventable through training and awareness; and

**WHEREAS**, workplace injuries and fatalities cost businesses billions of dollars each year; and

**WHEREAS**, safety training and awareness are proven ways to reduce accidents while performing daily activities, increase productivity and improve morale; and

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**WHEREAS**, SCF Arizona, through its statewide Safety Works Expo, has assisted in reducing the injury rates among Arizona workers; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona believes that the health of our workers and employees is essential to the future and economic vitality of our State.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 3-9, 2009 as

**\* WORKPLACE SAFETY WEEK \***

**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 twenty-first 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**

**\* ARIZONA YOUTH WEEK \***

[M09-164]

**WHEREAS**, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has designated the week beginning May 3rd, as National Youth Week to honor America's Junior Citizens for their accomplishments, and to give fitting recognition of their services to their community, State and Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, these young people represent the Nation's future and in the years ahead they will assume responsibility for the advancement of our free society; and

**WHEREAS**, our youth need guidance, inspiration and encouragement, which we must give in order to develop those qualities of character essential for future leadership, and to go forth to serve America; and

**WHEREAS**, all Elks Lodges recognize the youth of our communities with projects such as Hoop Shots, Soccer Shots, drug awareness programs, Scouting, dictionary projects, scholarship programs for high school seniors, and after prom events; and

**WHEREAS**, to achieve this worthy objective we should demonstrate our partnership with youths, our understanding of their hopes and aspiration, and a sincere willingness to help prepare them for the responsibilities and opportunities of citizenship.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 3-9, 2009 as

**\* ARIZONA YOUTH WEEK \***

**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 twenty-second 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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**\* CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK \***

[M09-171]

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's correctional officers are dedicated to excellence in state service, selflessly providing for the effective management and secure care of adult inmates and juvenile offenders; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's correctional officers are exceptional educators, motivators and communicators who routinely avert negative occurrences and successfully intervene in challenging circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's correctional officers demonstrate strong leadership and influence in encouraging adult inmates and juvenile offenders to prepare for a successful reintegration into society by developing skills and attitudes through which they may hold themselves accountable for their behavior and responsible for their decisions; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's correctional officers recognize the importance of partnering with other agencies to accomplish the common goal of public safety. They are involved in community betterment projects, volunteering in their communities, assisting with homeland security initiatives, and serving their country since the war on terrorism began; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's correctional officers strive daily to perform their duties and live their lives as the very best public safety public servants in the nation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 3-9, 2009 as

**\* CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK \***

**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 twenty-third 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**

**\* WATER SAFETY MONTH \***

[M09-172]

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Arizona recognize that swimming and aquatic-related activities help to maintain physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Arizona understand that water safety education and supervision can prevent drowning and recreational water-related injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona has the second highest number of drowning deaths in the nation, and one of the highest numbers of near drownings; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Arizona can safely enjoy water-related recreational activities at treated-water aquatics facilities and the natural bodies of water in our state; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Arizona recognize the vital importance of abiding by the rules set forth by the guardianship of trained and certified aquatics professionals who develop water safety rules with their prudent enjoyment in mind; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Arizona identifies that a combination of effective water safety programs and supervision is the best way to prevent drowning and recreational water-related injuries.

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

**\* WATER SAFETY MONTH \***

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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 twenty-third 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**

**\* FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS WEEK \***

[M09-184]

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of Americans die each year due to food-induced hypersensitivity resulting from eating a food containing an ingredient to which they were allergic; and

**WHEREAS**, anaphylaxis is a sudden, severe allergic reaction involving major organs in the body simultaneously and, in severely allergic individuals, causing death in a matter of minutes; and

**WHEREAS**, researchers estimate up to 12 million Americans have food allergies, of which children are the largest group; and

**WHEREAS**, shellfish, fish, milk, eggs, tree nuts, peanuts, soy, and wheat cause 90 percent of food allergy reactions, and food allergy symptoms can include hives, vomiting, diarrhea, respiratory distress, and swelling of the throat; and

**WHEREAS**, eating in restaurants and at school are situations that pose the highest risk for people with food allergies, and strict avoidance of the offending food is the only way to avoid a reaction, as there is currently no cure for food allergies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 10-16, 2009 as

**\* FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS WEEK \***

**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 twenty-seventh 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**

**\* HISTORICAL SOLDIERS MEMORIAL CEMETERY REMEMBRANCE DAY \***

[M09-183]

**WHEREAS**, in 2006, the remains of a group of Civil War and Indian Wars Veterans were discovered in downtown Tucson during excavation for the Joint Justice Court/Municipal Court Complex; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2007 the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services determined it would be appropriate to establish a historically accurate cemetery within the confines of the Southern Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery; and

**WHEREAS**, the Southern Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery Foundation took the lead in fundraising and establishing the Historical Soldiers Reburial Project Committee and held the groundbreaking ceremony for the Historical Soldiers Memorial Cemetery, starting construction in October 2008; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Historical Soldiers Memorial Cemetery is a tribute to these veterans who selflessly served our country with honor and distinction and is an assurance that their final resting place is emblematic of their enduring service and high sacrifice; and

**WHEREAS**, the freedom we enjoy today exists in no small part because of the triumphs of these veterans, and the Historical Soldiers Memorial Cemetery honors the lives of these veterans in a way that few other tributes can, and the memorial for these veterans will be conducted with dignity and compassion

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 16, 2009 as

**\* HISTORICAL SOLDIERS MEMORIAL CEMETERY REMEMBRANCE DAY \***

and urge all citizens to join together to champion the recognition of these veterans and to remember those who have sacrificed for our Nation.

**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 twenty-seventh 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**

**\* EVERYDAY HEROES DAY \***

[M09-190]

**WHEREAS**, Cox Communications and the Arizona Interscholastic Association are partnering to recognize outstanding students, teachers, coaches, officials and administrators through the Everyday Heroes Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Everyday Heroes Program is used to promote trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship; and

**WHEREAS**, Cox Communications and the Arizona Interscholastic Association have a history of contributing to youth-oriented programs; and

**WHEREAS** the Everyday Heroes program will be used to provide character education for interscholastic and youth organizations with an emphasis on sportsmanship and healthy lifestyle choices both on and off the field.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 23, 2009 as

**\* EVERYDAY HEROES 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 fifth day of May 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**