

**Governor's Executive Orders/Proclamations**

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

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**\* EXECUTIVE ORDER 2009-10 \***

**Executive Order Establishing "Governor's P-20 Coordinating Council of Arizona"  
(Amending and Superseding Executive Order 2009-07)**

[M09-445]

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's education system has strong governance structures in place with state and local boards, the P-20 Coordinating Council is necessary to provide a statewide forum for coordination and articulation; and

**WHEREAS**, the need to maximize the effectiveness of our educational systems at all levels of a student's experience has never been greater; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize that the diverse marketplace of the Arizona educational landscape that includes private, charter, and home schools has enhanced the quality of all; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 presents Arizona with unique opportunities for improvement that span our educational system; and

**WHEREAS**, the ARRA funds are also subject to increased accountability and reporting responsibilities that will require all of the critical stakeholders in education to collaborate in new ways;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, do hereby establish the Governor's P-20 Coordinating Council of Arizona and order as follows:

- The Governor shall appoint all members unless otherwise indicated. Additional membership shall include but not be limited to the following:
  - Superintendent of Public Instruction or designee
  - The Executive Director of the Early Childhood Development and Health Board
  - The Executive Director of the State Board of Education
  - The Executive Director of the State Board of Charter Schools
  - The Executive Director of the School Facilities Board
  - One County School Superintendent
  - One member of the Community College Council
  - The Executive Director of the Arizona Board of Regents
  - A representative of a Joint Technological Education District
  - The Executive Director of the Commission for Postsecondary Education
  - A tribal representative
  - 6 business/citizen members
- 1) The P-20 Coordinating Council shall meet and make recommendations for achieving a more streamlined system of education while improving academic achievement as outlined by the Governor.
  - 2) The P-20 Coordinating Council shall provide a forum and provide recommendations to the Governor on specific education reforms outlined in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).
  - 3) The Governor shall appoint a Chairperson.
  - 4) Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
  - 5) Members, unless otherwise indicated, may not send designees to represent them at the Council meetings. Members who miss more than three (3) consecutive Council meetings are subject to replacement at the sole discretion of the Governor.

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- 6) The Chairperson may form an executive committee or other committees as necessary.
- 7) The Council shall meet to conduct its affairs at least four times each year.
- 8) The status of the Council shall be reviewed no later than December 31, 2010 to determine appropriate action for its continuance, modification or termination.

**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 3rd of December in the year Two Thousand and Nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth.

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

**\* EXECUTIVE ORDER 2009-11 \***  
**Declaring Christmas and Hanukkah Celebration**

[M09-455]

**WHEREAS**, Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ, the founder of the Christian religion, and has been celebrated annually for more than two millennia as a significant historical, cultural, and religious event; and

**WHEREAS**, Hanukkah also known as the Festival of Lights, is an eight-day Jewish holiday commemorating the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem at the time of the Maccabean Revolt of the 2nd Century BC; and

**WHEREAS**, Christmas and Hanukkah bring joy, love and good will to the hearts of the people of the State of Arizona and hundreds of millions of people across the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the spirit of good will which has been found each December has been at the heart of our ability to live as one people despite differing faiths and backgrounds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution does not permit the government to tolerate or engage in hostility toward religion, and the United States Supreme Court has affirmed that the public celebration of religious holidays, and the acknowledgement of religious origins, does not offend the Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, state and local officials in Arizona (and elsewhere) in the past have attempted to strip both Christmas and Hanukkah of their meaning, including establishment of policies forbidding state employees from placing religious items of celebration at their desks, re-naming of Christmas trees as "holiday" trees, and renaming of Menorahs as "candlesticks"; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Arizona, do hereby order and direct as follows:

1. No executive agency of the State of Arizona shall require that any state employee refrain from personally celebrating Christmas and Hanukkah, including the placement of items traditionally associated with a particular holiday.
2. No executive agency of the State of Arizona shall prohibit any state employee from referring to the Christmas and Hanukkah holidays by their accurate names and wishing others a "Merry Christmas" or a "Happy Hanukkah."
4. No executive agency of the State of Arizona shall participate in any censorship of the lawful celebration and acknowledgement of Christmas, Hanukkah or any other recognized religious holiday.
5. All executive agencies of the State of Arizona, and any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the implementation of the provisions of this Order.

6. This order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the Governor, or terminated by operation of law.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Arizona, at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, on this 16th day of December, 2009.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have to 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 the 16th of December in the year Two Thousand and Nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth.

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

**\* MEMORY SCREENING DAY \***

[M09-432]

**WHEREAS**, November is National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month and November 17, 2009 is National Memory Screening Day; and

**WHEREAS**, countless people in Arizona and millions of people in America are afflicted with memory loss, and without intervention the numbers will continue to dramatically increase; and

**WHEREAS**, early memory screening is a valuable tool for healthy aging and should be available to anyone who wants or needs it; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alzheimer's Prevention Foundation International, in partnership with our Family Services and Tucson Jewish Community Center, will provide free memory screenings, education on memory loss prevention, and information about community resources at the 5th Annual Tucson Memory Screening Day.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 17, 2009 as

**\* MEMORY SCREENING 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 ninth day of November in the year Two Thousand and Nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth.

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

**\* STEROID AWARENESS WEEK \***

[M09-430]

**WHEREAS**, it is critical to protect Arizona's adolescents from substance abuse;

**WHEREAS**, in their lifetime, 1.7 percent of Arizona's 8th graders, 2.3 percent of 10th graders and 2.4 percent of 12th graders have used steroids, an increase from the percentages of steroid use reported in 2006; (Arizona Youth Survey 2008) and

**WHEREAS**, popular Major League Baseball players – whom children and teens idolize – are admitting to illegal steroid use, and even non-athletes abuse steroids to enhance their physical appearance and improve athletic performance; and

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**WHEREAS**, long-term steroid abuse can eventually affect mood and behavior and can even cause psychiatric dysfunction, aggression, extreme mood swings and manic-like symptoms that can lead to violence; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 15-21 the Scottsdale Charros and Major League Baseball will bring the Taylor Hooton Foundation to high schools to teach students about the dangers of steroids.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 15-21, 2009 as

**\* STEROID 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 ninth day of November in the year Two Thousand and Nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth.

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

**\* THANK A FARMER AND RANCHER DAY \***

[M09-436]

**WHEREAS**, the holiday season is a time to be thankful for Arizona's abundant supply of safe, wholesome and affordable food; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's farmers and ranchers produce the food that nourishes our bodies and serves as the centerpiece for family gatherings and holiday celebrations; and

**WHEREAS**, less than two percent of the Arizona population works in food production and the average Arizona farmer now feeds 144 people; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona's farmers and ranchers not only provide the food we eat but also help sustain rural communities, preserve open space and wildlife habitat and protect the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, farming and ranching play a vital role in the economy of the country and our State.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 20, 2009 as

**\* THANK A FARMER AND RANCHER 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 eighteenth day of November in the year Two Thousand and Nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth.

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