

WHEREAS, all Arizonans are essential to statewide disaster readiness and are called to be prepared for any emergency, large or small; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona experiences extreme weather, public health, and human caused emergencies which can damage property and infrastructure and threaten the safety of Arizona communities; and

WHEREAS, emergencies and disasters can strike without warning, Arizonans are encouraged to prepare their homes, businesses and schools for emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Arizonans are encouraged to follow the four steps of emergency preparedness: develop a family communication plan, build an emergency "Go!" kit, learn the potential hazards where you live and travel, inspire others by your preparedness example; and

WHEREAS, Arizonans are encouraged to follow the 3 principles of the Ready, Set, Go! evacuation protocol: get Ready by preparing now for what threatens your community, be Set by maintaining awareness of significant danger and Go! evacuate immediately when danger is imminent and life-threatening; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Departments of Emergency and Military Affairs, Health Services, Homeland Security, Insurance and Financial Institutions, Public Safety, Forestry and Fire Management, Agriculture, Office of Resiliency, Registrar of Contractors, Transportation, Water Resources, The Arizona Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters, County and Tribal Emergency Management Departments, among others, recognize the need for a Whole Community public education program about the importance of being prepared for any potential hazard.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 2024, as

ARIZONA PREPAREDNESS MONTH

and encourage all residents to develop their own emergency preparedness plans and supply kits.

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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

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this thirteenth day of August in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Ninth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE