

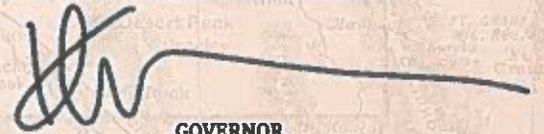
Proclamation

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a prevalent public health problem affecting all communities, regardless of age, race, gender, socio-economic status, religion, nationality, or sexual orientation; and
WHEREAS, over 61 million women and 53 million men have experienced psychological aggression by an intimate partner in their lifetime; and
WHEREAS, one in two women and one in four men have experienced sexual violence, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner during their lifetime; and
WHEREAS, 40.3 percent of children reported exposure to at least one form of family violence over their lifetimes, and 27.7 percent reported exposure to physical intimate partner violence; and
WHEREAS, in 2022, there were 101 known domestic violence-related fatalities across Arizona; and
WHEREAS, in 2024, I signed SB1371, which requires law enforcement agencies to provide victims of domestic violence with one free copy of their police report from the investigating law enforcement agency upon request. It also requires law enforcement agencies to prioritize the processing of each police report that is requested. Prioritizing the release of these police reports will help victims of domestic violence obtain the necessary documents to file an order of protection or injunctions against harassment with the courts; and
WHEREAS, by promoting healthy, respectful, and nonviolent relationships, communities can help reduce the occurrence of intimate partner violence and prevent the harmful and long-lasting effects of intimate partner violence on individuals, families, and communities; and
WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month provides the opportunity to enhance education, prevention, and intervention efforts around domestic violence and support organizations that provide advocacy efforts, services, and assistance to victims; and
WHEREAS, during Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month, I stand with the tens of millions of people who have experienced intimate partner violence. I thank first responders, service providers, victim advocates, and community members who work to ensure that every Arizonan can live in safety, with dignity, and respect.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2024 as

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

and call upon all government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, hospitals, colleges, schools, parents, and citizens in the state of Arizona to support domestic violence survivors and take a stand against all forms of violence and abuse in relationships by joining the #LightingAZPurple campaign, visiting EndDV.AZ.gov, and expanding efforts to #EndDVinAZ.

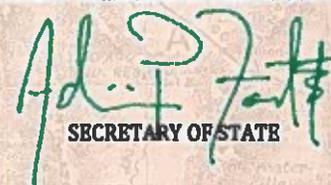
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona



GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this tenth day of September 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

