WHEREAS, Arizona’s laws for protecting children and young adults who have been sexually abused require evaluation for reform;

WHEREAS, every child victimized by sexual abuse is entitled to safety, healing, justice and restitution;

WHEREAS, government serves an important role in protecting public safety and ensuring justice for all citizens, including victims of child sexual assault;

WHEREAS, a statewide collaborative effort dedicated to developing recommendations for reforms to laws that will advance justice for the citizens of the State of Arizona;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Arizona Constitution and laws of the State of Arizona, hereby establish the Justice for Victims of Child Sexual Abuse Task Force and order as follows:

1. The Governor shall appoint all members. Membership shall include, but is not limited to, one representative from each of the following:
   a. The Arizona Department of Public Safety,
   b. The Arizona Governor’s Office,
   c. The Governor’s Office of Youth, Faith and Family,
   d. The Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence,
   e. The Arizona Voice for Crime Victims,
   f. A representative from a family advocacy center that deals with trauma,
   g. An individual with demonstrated experience in the field of social work,
   h. A member of the Arizona Senate,
   i. A member of the Arizona House of Representatives,
   j. A Tribal Chief of Police,
   k. One police chief, county attorney, or county sheriff with a population greater than 800,000, and
   l. One police chief, county attorney, or county sheriff with a population less than 800,000.

2. Members of the Task Force serve without compensation and at the pleasure of the Governor.

3. The Governor shall appoint a chairperson.

4. The duties of the Task Force include, but are not limited to, the following:
a. Develop and conduct a collaborative statewide review of Arizona’s laws for protecting children victimized by sexual abuse,
b. Provide legislative recommendations to reform Arizona’s laws for protecting children victimized by sexual abuse,

5. The Task Force shall provide the Governor with a report of their recommendations no later than December 1, 2019.
6. This Executive Order expires on December 31, 2019.

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

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this Twenty-eighth day of May in the Year Two Thousand and Nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Third.

ATTEST:

Secretary of State