

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

STATE OF ARIZONA  
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PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, all children need the care, love, security, and stability of family unity, including parents, siblings, grandparents, and other extended family members to provide a solid foundation for personal growth, development, and maturity; and

**WHEREAS**, whenever possible and without sacrificing child safety, keeping Arizona families together is an important goal for our communities and is the best option for a permanent, safe, and loving home for many children in foster care; and

**WHEREAS**, reunification takes work, commitment, and investment of time and resources by parents, family members, social workers, foster parents, service providers, attorneys, courts, educators, and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, for many years, a number of jurisdictions in the United States have been celebrating the accomplishments of families who have overcome an array of challenges to reunify safely and successfully; and

**WHEREAS**, Family Reunification Day, June 10<sup>th</sup>, is an opportunity to recognize families who have successfully overcome the challenges that brought their children into out-of-home care.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 2020 as

**ARIZONA FAMILY REUNIFICATION MONTH**



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

*Douglas A. Ducey*  
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fourteenth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Fourth.

ATTEST:

*[Signature]*

SECRETARY OF STATE