

Douglas A. Ducey
Governor

Office of the Governor

*** PUBLIC LANDS DAY ***

WHEREAS, America's system of public lands includes parks, unique landscapes, forests, wildlife refuges, historic trails, natural streams and wetlands, nature centers, community gardens and other landmark areas throughout the nation that individually and collectively represent irreplaceable national resources; and

WHEREAS, public lands provide locally accessible natural and cultural resources for environmental learning, wildlife appreciation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, public lands promote civic ideals that include shared stewardship and recognition of public ownership; and

WHEREAS, shared stewardship requires the goodwill, cooperation and active support of citizens, community, local and state officials, business leaders, youth and adults; and

WHEREAS, recreation opportunities offered by public lands help families and individuals lead an active lifestyle and reduce the incidence of childhood obesity; and

WHEREAS, land conservation efforts improve access to public lands for urban residents and work to break down the barriers that prevent Americans from actively utilizing their public lands; and

WHEREAS, a collaboration among state and local residents, land managers and community leaders improves the condition of publicly held lands for the greater enjoyment and enrichment of all Americans; and

WHEREAS, National Public Lands Day is the nation's largest, single-day volunteer effort for public lands and is coordinated by the National Environmental Education Foundation. State and City Park systems throughout the nation join with federal agencies such as The Bureau of Land Management, Department of Defense, Environmental Protection Agency, National Park Service, United States Army Corps of Engineers, United States Fish & Wildlife Service and the United States Forest Service to deliver an annually anticipated celebration for local participation on publicly held lands in this great State of Arizona.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona do hereby proclaim September 26, 2015 as

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and I further call upon the citizens of Arizona to recognize and participate in this special observance.

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



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GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this thirty-first day of August in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

ATTEST:

Michelle Reagan

Secretary of State



STATE OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

DOUGLAS A. DUCEY
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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