

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

Office of the Governor

*** COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK ***

WHEREAS, county governments have served as the citizen's local government voice since their inception; and

WHEREAS, when the federal government was formed, the framers of the Constitution chose to provide states the freedom to create county governments; and

WHEREAS, early state constitutions recognized the importance of county government and its dual value to both state and federal government; and

WHEREAS, counties take seriously their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its citizens in sensible and cost-effective ways, including protection of the environment and wise use of natural resources in communities; and

WHEREAS, counties provide regional leadership over critical policy areas, including policies necessary to ensure safe communities, protect public health, promote economic development, climate protection and air quality, water quality, energy efficiency, and plan and manage land use for sustainable development; and

WHEREAS, there are fifteen counties in the State of Arizona collectively responsible for and serving the needs of every resident of the State; and

WHEREAS, Arizona counties reflect the wide diversity of people, culture, and landscape in our State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 3-9, 2009 as

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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



Janice K. Brewer
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-seventh day of March in the year Two Thousand and Nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-third.

ATTEST:

Klu Bennett

Secretary of State