Janice K. Brewer
Governor

# Office of the Governor

*** OLDER AMERICANS MONTH ***

**WHEREAS,** Arizona is a community that includes more than 1.2 million citizens aged 60 and older, and more than 800 Arizona centenarians who have helped to build this great State over the last century; and

**WHEREAS,** the older adults in Arizona are the roots from which our community grows, who bestow gifts of wisdom and insight upon younger generations, and strengthen the bonds between neighbors to create a better place to live; and

**WHEREAS,** increasing numbers of adults are reaching retirement age and remaining strong and active for longer than ever before; and

**WHEREAS,** the older adults in Arizona deserve recognition for the contributions they have made and will continue to make to the culture, economy, and character of our State and our Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** our State can provide that recognition and respect by improving the quality of life for older Americans by: increasing their opportunities to remain active and engaged in community life; providing individualized services and support systems to maintain the dignity, independence, and self-determination of older Americans as they age.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2012 as

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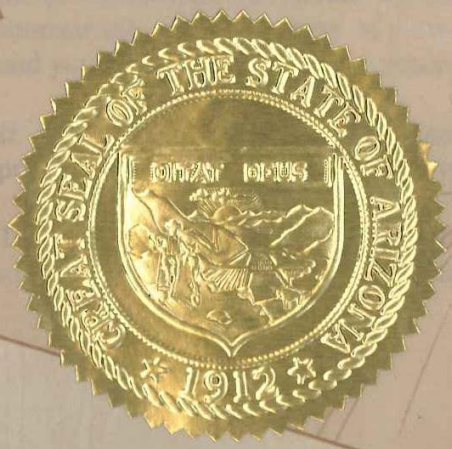
**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona




Janice K. Brewer
*GOVERNOR*

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twentieth day of April in the year Two Thousand and Twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.
*ATTEST:*

Ken Bennett

**Secretary of State**