

Douglas A. Ducey
Governor

Office of the Governor

*** ARIZONA TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK ***

WHEREAS, the U.S. Travel Association promotes the celebration of National Travel and Tourism Week, May 2 – 10, 2015, to support the positive impact travel, as a major U.S. industry, on the nation's economy; and

WHEREAS, Arizona celebrates the state's travel and tourism industry as one of Arizona's leading export industries that consistently provides an important stabilizing effect on Arizona's economy; and

WHEREAS, travel to and within Arizona provides significant economic benefits for the state, generating \$19.8 billion in direct visitor spending in 2013, which enriches the lives of our residents by contributing to public services that impact our well-being and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, visitor spending to and within Arizona positively affects all 15 counties, generating \$2.7 billion in federal, state and local tax revenues, representing a \$1.100 tax break per Arizona household; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's travel industry directly supports 163,500 million jobs in 2013, and indirectly supports more than 300,000 jobs connected to other statewide industries; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Office of Tourism leads the Arizona travel and tourism industry in promoting the state's global image as a world-class destination with unforgettable scenery, exciting outdoor adventures, rejuvenating resorts and spas, unique local cuisines and a unique history to attract travelers and increase the economic benefits of visitor spending to the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2 – 10, 2015 as

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and I further encourage residents and visitors to discover Arizona's vibrant travel destinations and tourism offerings.

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


GOVERNOR

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

ATTEST:



Secretary of State

