

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

# STATE OF ARIZONA

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# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, women in Arizona's history have transformed the state and entire nation through leadership in a wide range of fields including elected and appointed public service, military service, public safety, entrepreneurship, business, education, medicine, the arts, philanthropy, and charitable service; and

**WHEREAS**, the first woman United States Supreme Court Justice, Sandra Day O'Connor; first woman state Chief Justice in United States history, Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Lorna Lockwood; one of the first women in the United States elected to a state legislature, Representative Rachel Emma Allen Berry are from Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona inaugurated five female statewide officeholders—Governor, Secretary of State, Superintendent of Public Instruction, State Treasurer, and Attorney General—in 1999, the first time women held all statewide elected offices in United States history; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona became the tenth state to grant women full voting rights in 1912, nearly eight years before the United States Congress ratified the 19th Amendment and granted women the right to vote nationally; and

**WHEREAS**, Arizona celebrates the women whose tenacity, courage and grit contributed to the development and continued growth throughout Arizona communities; and

**WHEREAS**, women working in the health care and medical industries throughout Arizona have made history during the pandemic, including those who have dedicated time, energy and resources to vaccinating Arizonans and saving lives; and

**WHEREAS**, 40 women are currently serving in the Arizona State Legislature, the most in state history; and

**WHEREAS**, women from across the United States have contributed to the achievements, prosperity and continued growth of our nation and these examples of leadership and determination should be honored and recognized; and

**WHEREAS**, Congress passed legislation in 1981 which authorized and requested the President to proclaim the week beginning March 7, 1982 as Women's History Week; and

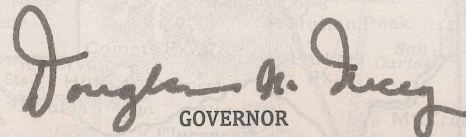
**WHEREAS**, in 1987, Congress passed a law which designated the month of March 1987 as Women's History Month; and

**WHEREAS**, Every President since 1995 has issued annual proclamations designating March to be Women's History Month.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 2021 as

## Women's History Month

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-Fourth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-One, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Fifth.

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

