

WHEREAS, over 40,000 children and adults in the United States have been diagnosed with cystic fibrosis, a rare, chronic, progressive, and life-threatening disease which impacts every organ system and for which there is no known cure; and

WHEREAS, more than 1,000 new cases are diagnosed each year, predominantly through newborn screening and it is estimated that more than ten million Americans are unknowing, symptomless carriers of the cystic fibrosis gene and have high odds of passing the gene to their children; and

WHEREAS, prompt, aggressive treatment of the symptoms of cystic fibrosis can extend the lives of people who have the disease; and

WHEREAS, recent advances in cystic fibrosis research have produced promising leads in gene, mRNA, and drug therapies beneficial to people who have the disease, however, lives continue to be lost to the disease; and

WHEREAS, cystic fibrosis research continues for potential therapies, and a nationwide network of care centers, including in Arizona, exists to improve the length and quality of life for individuals with cystic fibrosis; and

WHEREAS, public education about cystic fibrosis promotes early diagnosis and timely medical care, while support for those impacted by cystic fibrosis begins with the raising of public awareness.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2025, as,

CYSTIC FIBROSIS AWARENESS MONTH IN ARIZONA

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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

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-ninth day of April in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Ninth.

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