

Proclamation

WHEREAS, good nutrition can keep people healthy and promote longevity; and
WHEREAS, inadequate or unbalanced nutrition, known as malnutrition, is prevalent in many groups, including vulnerable populations such as hospitalized patients and under-resourced communities; and
WHEREAS, older adults are at heightened risk of malnutrition; and
WHEREAS, malnutrition can result in the loss of lean body mass and lead to complications that impact health outcomes, including recovery from surgery, illness, or disease; and
WHEREAS, nutrition is a human right and a Social Determinant of Health, and risk of malnutrition is intensified by socioeconomic disparities, racial and ethnic inequities, and social isolation, and is further compounded by food insecurity; and
WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Health Services serves Arizonans by providing public health and environmental protection services that promote healthy people and identifying and responding to emerging issues affecting Arizona's public and environmental health.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 18 - 22, 2023 as

MALNUTRITION AWARENESS WEEK

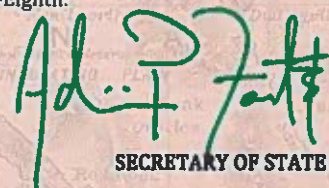
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona



GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eleventh day of September in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Eighth.

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

