

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

Office of the Governor

*** ARIZONA SOLAR AND RENEWABLE ENERGY MONTH ***

WHEREAS, last year, Arizona ranked #1 in the nation in Solar Per Capita (watts per person) and is home to one of the world's largest concentrating solar power plants with six hours of thermal energy storage; and

WHEREAS, solar and renewable energy technologies and sustainability practices are of great value to Arizona's economic development, energy security and reliability, and of environmental benefit for the citizenry; and

WHEREAS, solar and renewability energy technologies and sustainability practices have the capability to positively impact current state and local concerns regarding rising energy costs, existing energy resources, increasing energy dependence and energy resource insecurities, reducing our energy footprint; and

WHEREAS, Arizona has the abundance of natural resources and expertise to continue moving the State to national and global leadership in university research, design and construction, manufacturing and application in the use of solar, renewable energy technologies and sustainability practices; and

WHEREAS, solar and renewable energy technologies and sustainability practices offer Arizonans a way to strengthen the economy, better the environment and ensure lasting energy security; and

WHEREAS, the activities of Arizona state and local governments, Arizona Solar, Renewable Energy and Sustainability non-profit and industry organizations, Arizona utilities and educational institutions promote solar and renewable energy technologies and sustainability practices; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona component of the American Solar Energy Society National Tour of Solar and Sustainable Buildings will offer the public opportunities to see solar and sustainable building practices and technologies in use, and meet other Arizonans that will share their experiences and knowledge to help the environment while saving energy and money; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona component of the National Tour will include local educational energy events, lectures, and programs; and

WHEREAS, the activity supporting a greater understanding and use of Arizona's naturally abundant renewable energy resources, and implementation of solar and sustainable design and construction, is important to Arizona's energy mix, and to the State, its future, and the legacy bequeathed to its children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2014 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 fifteenth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Fourteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-ninth.

ATTEST:

Ken Blumatt

Secretary of State

