## GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

## STATE OF ARIZONA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, in 2022, there will be an estimated 39,970 new cases of cancer in Arizona and an estimated 13,200 deaths will result from this disease; and

WHEREAS, for every new cancer patient diagnosed there will be at least one new cancer caregiver to care for that patient; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Alliance of Caregiving, a vast majority of caregivers (85 percent) care for a relative or other loved one: 42 percent care for a parent (31 percent for a mother, 11 percent for a father); 15 percent care for a friend, neighbor or another non-relative; 14 percent care for a child; 7 percent care for a parent-in-law; 7 percent care for a grandparent or grandparent-in-law; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Alliance of Caregiving, family caregivers who reside with those they provide care for spend 40.5 hours per week caring for this person. Those caring for a spouse/partner spend 44.6 hours per week performing caregiving tasks. Those caring for a child under age 18 spend 29.7 hours per week performing caregiving tasks; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Myeloma Network's and Cancer CareGiversAZ's mission is to promote collaboration, awareness, education and advocacy for the improved treatment and quality of life for all cancer patients, their families, and all cancer caregivers; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Myeloma Network established the Cancer Caregivers Education Program for all cancer caregivers who are unsupported and under-represented; and

WHEREAS, recognition is given to Barbara B. Kavanagh as a 31 year Cancer Caregiver for her spouse and as founder and CEO of the Arizona Myeloma Network and Cancer CareGiversAZ; and

WHEREAS, recognition is given to Jack Kavanagh, spouse and 31-year cancer survivor of multiple myeloma and the inspiration for the creation of the Arizona Myeloma Network and Cancer CareGivers AZ.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 11 – 18, 2022 as

## **CANCER CAREGIVERS AWARENESS WEEK**

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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 seventeenth day of October in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Seventh.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE