

Proclamation

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 42,670 Arizonans will receive a cancer diagnosis and up to 13,280 lives will be claimed by cancer in 2024; and
WHEREAS, every new cancer diagnosis impacts not just the patient, but also their loved ones, community, and caregivers; and
WHEREAS, according to the National Alliance of Caregiving, the vast majority of caregivers (85%) care for a relative or other loved one; and
WHEREAS, the National Alliance of Caregiving equates caring for a loved one with cancer to a full time job, with caregivers spending more than 40 hours per week on average assisting a loved one with the disease; and
WHEREAS, dedicated organizations, partners, and advocates throughout the state work to promote collaboration, raise awareness, educate the public, and advocate for improved treatment and care options for people with cancer, their families and loved ones, and their caregivers, in particular underserved communities, first responders, and military veterans; and
WHEREAS, through outreach to those who care for cancer patients via initiatives like the Online Cancer Caregivers Education Program, the Arizona Myeloma Network and Cancer CareGiversAZ are helping to reduce health disparities and support cancer patients and their loved ones by helping them find support and community.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 11 - 18, 2024, as

ARIZONA CANCER CAREGIVERS AWARENESS WEEK

and further recognize Jack Kavanagh, beloved spouse and a 33-year survivor of multiple myeloma, who passed away on May 25th.



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 fourth day of November in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Ninth.

ATTEST:


SECRETARY OF STATE