

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

STATE OF ARIZONA
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Arizona enjoys year-round agriculture production; and
WHEREAS, the direct as well as the economic multiplier effect of the industry equates to a total contribution of Arizona's agribusiness system of approximately \$23.3 billion in sales; and
WHEREAS, Arizona's agribusiness system directly and indirectly supported more than 138,000 Arizona jobs, employing more than 162,000 unique works; and
WHEREAS, Arizona ranks among leading states in the production of lettuce, spinach, broccoli, cauliflower, cantaloupe, honeydew, durum wheat and other commodities; and
WHEREAS, many Arizona counties rank in the top one percent of all United States counties in different measures of crop and livestock production; and
WHEREAS, the clear majority of Arizona farm operations are family-run operations and partnerships and these operations also account for the bulk of farm sales; and
WHEREAS, the contribution of agriculture to Arizona's economy extends beyond the farm gate. Arizona's agribusiness system includes crop and livestock industries, suppliers of inputs and services for on-farm production, food and fiber processors, and specialized marketing and distribution industries; and
WHEREAS, the five C's of Arizona, Cattle, Copper, Cotton, Citrus, and Climate, continue to be vital to Arizona's economy and prosperity; and
WHEREAS, the careful stewardship of land by Arizona's agricultural producers helps maintain a healthy and sustainable environment for years to come.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 22, 2022 as

ARIZONA AGRICULTURE DAY

and encourage all Arizonans to recognize the importance of agriculture as a major contributor to the economic vitality of the State and the role of agriculture in assuring Arizona's future progress and prosperity.



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

Douglas A. Ducey
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighteenth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Sixth.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE