WHEREAS, public health interventions, such as immunizations, safer and healthier foods, injury prevention, reduction of tobacco use, and healthier mothers and babies, have added 25 years to the life expectancy for people living in the United States in the 20th century; and
WHEREAS, public health works around the clock to control infectious diseases, conduct disease investigations and laboratory testing, ensure safe healthcare and childcare facilities, and prepare for and respond to emergencies; and
WHEREAS, public health improves overall health by building safe and healthy communities, preventing injury and disease, making the healthy choice the easy choice, removing barriers so everyone has the opportunity to improve their health, and strengthening the public health infrastructure; and
WHEREAS, during the first full week of April each year, the American Public Health Association brings communities across the United States together to recognize the contributions of public health, highlight issues that are important to improving the nation’s health, and raise awareness that where people live, work, play, recreate, retire, visit, do business, and get an education can impact their health; and
WHEREAS, the nationally accredited Arizona Department of Health Services joins the American Public Health Association in recognizing National Public Health Week to promote health and wellness for all Arizonans and celebrate Arizona’s public health system and professionals; and
WHEREAS, by actively working together, Arizona’s public health partners can build healthier communities to ultimately become the healthiest state in the Nation.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 1 – 7, 2019, as

PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

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

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-seventh day of March in the year Two Thousand and Nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Third.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE