

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

Office of the Governor

• AMATEUR RADIO WEEK •

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has provided a bridge between peoples, societies and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas for over a century; and

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio Operators, or "hams," provide service to many emergency response organizations, including the American Red Cross and Salvation Army, as well as local and government agencies, the Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), and the Radio Amateur Communications Emergency Service (RACES); and

WHEREAS, these same individuals have further demonstrated their value in public assistance by providing free radio communications for community parades, bike-a-thons, walk-a-thons, fairs and other charitable public events where public safety is paramount; and

WHEREAS, "hams" also serve as weather spotters in the SkyWarn program of the U.S. Weather Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio recently proved its significance by providing emergency communications when other systems failed in the devastation of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in the U.S. and in the Tsunami catastrophe overseas; and

WHEREAS, the American Radio Relay League, the leading Amateur Radio organization in the U.S., will hold its Amateur Radio Field Day exercise on June 26, 2010, which is a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the Radio Amateurs' skills and readiness to provide self supporting communications without further infrastructure being required.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 21-27, 2010 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 fourth day of June in the year Two Thousand and Ten, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth.

ATTEST:

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Secretary of State

