

Proclamation

WHEREAS, many forms of legalized gaming exist in Arizona, including the Arizona Lottery, Indian gaming, racing pari-mutuel/simulcast wagering, bingo, event wagering, fantasy sports, charitable gaming, amusement gambling, and social gambling; and
WHEREAS, Arizona Indian gaming provides substantial funds to support problem gambling programs throughout the State; and
WHEREAS, an estimated 2 percent of adults and 5 percent of youth in Arizona have a problem with gambling and adults who seek problem gambling treatment often report gambling from an early age; and
WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Gaming provides and supports education, prevention, and treatment programs for people and families affected by problem gambling through its Division of Problem Gambling and 24-hour confidential helpline, 1-800-NEXT-STEP; and
WHEREAS, since 1998, the State of Arizona has had a formal statewide responsible gambling program; and
WHEREAS, the National Council on Problem Gambling and the Association of Problem Gambling Service Administrators have declared the month of March as National Problem Gambling Awareness Month; and
WHEREAS, through education and programming, potential, and existing gambling-related problems can be addressed by individuals, organizations, and state and tribal governments.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as

ARIZONA PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH

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 twenty-first day of February in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Sixth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE