

State of Arizona



Legislative Proclamation

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND SACRIFICE OF ARIZONA'S FAMILY CAREGIVERS

Whereas, more than 800,000 Arizonans, in all socioeconomic groups, provide loving, informal care across the lifespan to a family member, friend, or neighbor, totaling over \$9 billion in unpaid care and assistance; and

Whereas, family caregivers often seem to do the impossible, by caring for loved ones with dementia, neuromuscular disease, cancer, autism, COVID, or victims of life-altering accidents; and

Whereas, many family caregivers serve as the primary patient advocate for their loved ones, providing the palliative and essential care needed for the most basic daily living activities; and

Whereas, the ability to provide care to a loved one can be a blessing and a basis of building strong, loving relationships and connections, it is not without considerable sacrifice; and

Whereas, many who are responsible for providing long-term care struggle to support the economic needs of their families, forgoing their own personal, professional, and health needs in the process; and

Whereas, family caregivers are always on call, enduring tremendous physical and emotional demands, including financial stress and sleep deprivation; and

Whereas, as the need for family caregivers in our state and across the nation grows each year, so must our understanding and appreciation for these dedicated caregivers.

Therefore, I, Representative Beverly Pingerelli, Republican, Legislative District 21, invite the members of the Arizona House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the important role of Arizona's family caregivers in providing invaluable care each day, and to thank them for their compassion and commitment to ensure that their loved ones receive the support they need.

Dated this 18th day of April 2022



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