#### **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. ####-##**

# POLITICAL DESIGNATION OF THE ZIONIST ENTITY AS A TERRORIST REGIME

WHEREAS, the people of Arizona have a profound interest in upholding human dignity, justice, and the right of all peoples to live free from occupation, persecution, and violence; and



WHEREAS, the Zionist entity, otherwise known as the State of Israel, has engaged in systematic acts of ethnic cleansing, apartheid, and genocide against the Palestinian people in the occupied territories; and

WHEREAS, such acts constitute crimes against humanity, bearing the hallmarks of state terrorism as recognized under international moral standards; and

WHEREAS, while the authority to render *legal* designations of foreign governments rests exclusively with the federal government of the United States, the Governor of Arizona possesses the sovereign right to issue *political designations* as a matter of public record and conscience; and

WHEREAS, the moral voice of states is indispensable in guiding the conscience of the nation, particularly when federal institutions fail to act with justice and integrity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William Pounds, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, do hereby order as follows:

#### Section 1. Political Designation.

The State of Arizona, under my governorship, politically designates the Zionist entity, otherwise known as the State of Israel, as a terrorist regime for its crimes against humanity, including but not limited to the crimes of ethnic cleansing and genocide committed in the Palestinian territories.

#### Section 2. Nature of Designation.

This designation is political and moral in nature. It does not and cannot substitute for the federal government's authority to render legal designations. That said, let the record reflect that the Governor of Arizona holds the constitutional authority to issue political designations on behalf of the people of this State.

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### Section 3. Record of Arizona.

The Secretary of State shall preserve this Executive Order as a matter of public record, ensuring that Arizona's stance is clear: the crimes of the Zionist entity shall not go unnamed, nor its victims forgotten.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arizona to be affixed this fourth day of January, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-seven.

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Governor of Arizona