

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

STATE OF ARIZONA
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency (Alpha-1) is one of the most common serious hereditary disorders in the world and can result in life-threatening lung disease in adults and liver disease in both children and adults; and

WHEREAS, Alpha-1 has been identified in virtually all populations, and individuals who carry a single deficient gene and may pass the gene on to their children; and

WHEREAS, Alpha-1 is widely under-diagnosed and misdiagnosed, and fewer than ten percent of those predicted to have Alpha-1 have been accurately diagnosed, and it often takes an average of five doctors and seven years from the time symptoms first appear before proper diagnosis is made, which can be detected by a simple blood test; and

WHEREAS, it is important to increase awareness and detection of this serious hereditary and misdiagnosed disorder; and

WHEREAS, during the month of November, a nationwide awareness campaign will take place throughout the country to educate the public as well as the medical community on Alpha-1 detection and treatment for those affected by this condition.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 2018 as

ALPHA-1 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 seventh day of November in the year Two Thousand and Eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Third.

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

