Janet Napolitano
Governor

Office of the Governor

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WHEREAS, 2008 is a presidential election year; and

WHEREAS, in the last three presidential election years, Arizona has sought to hold its presidential preference election as early as possible to maximize the impact of Arizona's voters on the presidential election; and

WHEREAS, holding an early presidential preference election attracts more presidential candidates, staff and media to Arizona, increasing Arizona's sales tax revenues and promoting Arizona's hotels, restaurants and businesses; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-241(B), the Governor is authorized to issue a proclamation that the presidential election may be moved to a date earlier than the fourth Tuesday in February; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the federal Voting Rights Act, any such proclamation by the Governor is subject to approval by the United States Department of Justice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Arizona Constitution and laws of the State, do hereby proclaim that (contingent upon approval by the United States Justice Department) the

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in Arizona shall be held on February 5, 2008.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer

Secretary of State

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