

WHEREAS, catastrophic events can occur, such as wildfires, flooding, extreme weather, and other natural disasters, all of which carry the potential to cause serious damage – or, even worse, total destruction – to private property and homes; and

WHEREAS, following disasters, stressed and strained homeowners are vulnerable to predatory practices from dishonest contractors fraudulently inflating repair or rebuilding costs; and

WHEREAS, predatory practices by unscrupulous contractors ultimately increase costs for consumers by driving up insurance premiums and forcing insurers to reevaluate risk; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that an effective public outreach campaign highlights the various types of contractor fraud schemes to help educate consumers on how to identify and avoid such schemes; and

WHEREAS, the National Insurance Crime Bureau encourages Arizonans to get at least three written estimates, check contractor credentials, and work closely with insurers during the entire rebuilding process when hiring a contractor; and

WHEREAS, the National Insurance Crime Bureau, in collaboration with its local and state partners in Arizona, including law enforcement, first responders, legislators, and state officials, are committed to educating Arizonans about predatory practices by dishonest contractors; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Arizona are encouraged to become familiar with contractor fraud and participate in the various programs during the fifth annual Contractor Fraud Awareness Week, May 19 – 23, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 19 - 23, 2025, as

CONTRACTOR FRAUD AWARENESS WEEK

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 fifth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Five and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Ninth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

