Janice K. Brewer

Office of the Governor

* VALLEY FEVER AWARENESS WEEK *

WHEREAS, Valley Fever is the third most commonly reported infectious disease in Arizona, with 60% of all reported Valley Fever infections in the United States occurring in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Valley Fever infections have tripled in Arizona over the last decade, having serious impacts on the health of our citizens and on Arizona's healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, through educational campaigns, the Arizona Department of Health Services, governmental entities, corporations, and organizations are united in bringing awareness to the public and healthcare providers about Valley Fever in Arizona; and

WHEREAS, through public outreach, the seriousness of the disease may be reduced, and early diagnosis promoted; and

WHEREAS, Arizona is the focal point of quality clinical care and research for Valley Fever.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim November 6-13, 2010 as

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in recognition of the outstanding treatment and research conducted by the Valley Fever Center for Excellence at the University of Arizona and of the advances in Valley Fever education and public health by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

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 October in the year Two Thousand and Ten and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth.

ATTEST:

Secretary of State