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Executive Order Continuing the Governor's Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women
(Supersedes Executive Order 2008-12)

WHEREAS, violence against women affects Arizonans of all races, ethnicities, religions and socioeconomic classifications, and

WHEREAS, nationally, one in three women have been beaten, coerced into sex, or otherwise abused in their lifetime, usually by a family member or intimate partner, and

WHEREAS, in 2010, Arizona had 96 known deaths related to domestic violence and

WHEREAS, nationally, ninety-two percent (92%) of women indicate that reducing domestic violence and sexual assault should be at the top of any formal efforts taken on behalf of women today; and

WHEREAS, witnessing violence between one’s parents or caretakers is the strongest risk factor for transmitting violent behavior from one generation to the next, increasing the chance of perpetuation the cycle of violence in adult relationships, and

WHEREAS, despite often going unreported, nationally, more than one in four women (26.5%) above the age of 65 have been the victim of physical, sexual or psychological violence by their spouse or intimate partner, and abuse of the elder and vulnerable adult population in increasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby, continue the Governor’s Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women (the “Commission”) and order as follows:

1. The Commission shall:
   A. Consist of no fewer than 11 and no more than 15 members, each of whom shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve, without compensation, at the pleasure of the Governor. The Governor shall also appoint a chairperson who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
   B. Meet at the call of the Governor or the Commission Chair, but no fewer than four times per year.
   C. To the extent practicable, be comprised of a cross-section of Arizonans who provide ethnic, geographic, gender, age and socio-economic diversity.
   D. Include a Governor’s designee, and others who demonstrate expertise in issues related to violence against women; in addition, it may include ex-officio members representing state agencies, including the Arizona Department of Economic Security, the Arizona Attorney General’s Office and the Arizona Department of Health Services.
E. May include a Governor designee from the Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Arizona Sexual Assault Network as organizations who demonstrate expertise in issues related to violence against women.

F. Work with entities throughout the State to increase awareness about the issues of violence against women.

G. Provide a forum for addressing input from the community and respond to new information on violence against women.

H. Continue to oversee the implementation and progress of the Domestic and Sexual Violence State Plan, and revise this State Plan as needed.

I. Sunset on December 31, 2014, unless extended by future Executive Order.

2. The Commission may establish sub-committees at the discretion of the Chair to work on issues related to violence against women. Sub-committees may include interested members of the community who are not Commission members. The Chair shall recommend community members of the sub-committees, but they shall be approved by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Governor.

3. Members of the Commission may, with the Governor’s permission, send designees to serve on the Commission, provided, however, that such designees shall have been delegated by the members with full authority to vote and otherwise act on behalf of the members.

4. This Executive Order supersedes Executive Order 2008-12.

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

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix, on this 16th day of December in the Year Two Thousand and Eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
Executive Order 2008-12

Continuing the Governor’s Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women
(Amending Executive Order 2008-09)

WHEREAS, violence against women affects Arizonans of all races, ethnicities, religions and socioeconomic classifications; and

WHEREAS, nationally, one in three women have been beaten, coerced into sex, or otherwise abused in their lifetime, usually by a family member or intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, Arizona had 124 known deaths related to domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, nationally, ninety-two percent (92%) of women indicate that reducing domestic violence and sexual assault should be at the top of any formal efforts taken on behalf of women today; and

WHEREAS, witnessing violence between one’s parents or caretakers is the strongest risk factor for transmitting violent behavior from one generation to the next, increasing the chance of perpetuating the cycle of violence in adult relationships; and

WHEREAS, despite often going unreported, nationally, more than one in four women (26.5%) above the age of 65 have been the victim of physical, sexual or psychological violence by their spouse or intimate partner, and abuse of the elder and vulnerable adult population is increasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby continue the Governor’s Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women (the “Commission”) and order as follows:

1. The Commission shall:

   A. Consist of no fewer than 13 and no more the 19 members, each of whom shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve, without compensation, at the pleasure of the Governor. The Governor shall also appoint a chairperson who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

   B. Meet at the call of the Governor or the Commission Chair, but no fewer than four times per year.

   C. To the extent practicable, be comprised of a cross-section of Arizonans who provide ethnic, geographic, gender, age and socio-economic diversity.

   D. Include a Governor’s designee, and others who demonstrate expertise in issues related to violence against women; in addition, it may include ex-officio members representing state agencies, including the Arizona Department of Economic Security, the Arizona Attorney General’s Office and the Arizona Department of Health Services.
E. Work with entities throughout the State to increase awareness about the issues of violence against women.

F. Provide a forum for addressing input from the community and respond to new information on violence against women.

G. Continue to oversee the implementation and progress of the Domestic and Sexual Violence State Plan, and revise this State Plan as needed.

H. Provide a report to the Governor regarding the activities and outcomes of the Commission by January 31, 2009 and annually thereafter.

I. Sunset on December 31, 2011, unless extended by future Executive Order.

2. The Commission may establish sub-committees at the discretion of the Chair to work on issues related to violence against women. Sub-committees may include interested members of the community who are not Commission members. The Chair shall recommend community members of the sub-committees, but they shall be approved by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Governor.

3. Members of the Commission may, with the Governor’s permission, send designees to serve on the Commission; provided, however, that such designees shall have been delegated by the member with full authority to vote and otherwise act on behalf of the member.

4. This Executive Order supersedes Executive Order 2003-13.

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

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this _/___ day of February in the Year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST: [Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
Executive Order 2008-09

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(Supersedes Executive Order 2003-13)

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WHEREAS, in 2007, Arizona had 124 known deaths related to domestic violence; and

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WHEREAS, despite often going unreported, nationally, more than one in four women (26.5%) above the age of 65 have been the victim of physical, sexual or psychological violence by their spouse or intimate partner, and abuse of the elder and vulnerable adult population is increasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby continue the Governor’s Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women (the “Commission”) and order as follows:

1. The Commission shall:

   A. Consist of no fewer than 13 and no more the 19 members, each of whom shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve, without compensation, at the pleasure of the Governor. The Governor shall also appoint a chairperson who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

   B. Meet at the call of the Governor or the Commission Chair, but no fewer than four times per year.

   C. To the extent practicable, be comprised of a cross-section of Arizonans who provide ethnic, geographic, gender, age and socio-economic diversity.

   D. Include a Governor’s designee, and others who demonstrate expertise in issues related to violence against women; in addition, it may include ex-officio members representing state agencies, including the Arizona Department of Economic Security, the Arizona Attorney General’s Office and the Arizona Department of Health Services.
E. Work with entities throughout the State to increase awareness about the issues of violence against women.

F. Provide a forum for addressing input from the community and respond to new information on violence against women.

G. Continue to oversee the implementation and progress of the Domestic and Sexual Violence State Plan, and revise this State Plan as needed.

H. Provide a report to the Governor regarding the activities and outcomes of the Commission by January 31, 2009 and annually thereafter.

I. Sunset on December 31, 2011, unless extended by future Executive Order.

2. The Commission may establish sub-committees at the discretion of the Chair to work on issues related to violence against women. Sub-committees may include interested members of the community who are not Commission members. The Chair shall recommend community members of the sub-committees, but they shall be approved by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Governor.

3. Members of the Commission may, with the Governor’s permission, send designees to serve on the Commission; provided, however, that such designees shall have been delegated by the member with full authority to vote and otherwise act on behalf of the member.


5. This Executive Order supersedes Executive Order 2003-13.

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

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 14th day of January in the Year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST: [Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
Executive Order 2003–13
(Supersedes Executive Order 2001-06)

Establishing the Governor's Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women

WHEREAS, violence against women cuts across all social, economic and ethnic lines; and

WHEREAS, the crime of physical or sexual assault when directed at any person violates his or her privacy, dignity, security rights and humanity; and;

WHEREAS, research indicates that violence against women is happening at epidemic proportions – approximately one out of three women will be a victim of domestic violence in her lifetime and;

WHEREAS, battering of women in their own homes accounts for more injuries to women requiring medical treatment than rapes, muggings, and car accidents combined; and;

WHEREAS, children who witness abuse are more likely to grow up being abusers or abused themselves; and;

WHEREAS, abuse of the elder population is increasing dramatically and often goes without being reported;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, hereby create the Governor's Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women and order and direct:

1. The Commission shall:
   - Be appointed by, and serve, without compensation, at the pleasure of the Governor.
   - Meet at the call of the chair, but no fewer than four times per year.
   - Submit a report of its activities to the Governor the first day of January of each year.
   - Have a chair from its membership appointed by the Governor.
   - Advise the Governor on proposed legislation and existing laws relating to violence against women issues.
   - Work with entities throughout the State to ensure community-planning efforts are coordinated.
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- Work with entities throughout the State to raise awareness around the issues of violence against women.

- Have Ad Hoc Committees that are appointed by the Chair to develop recommendations on policy and legislative issues related to violence against women.

- The Ad Hoc Committees may include interested members of the community who are not Commission members. The Chair shall determine the Ad Hoc Committee membership.

- The members will represent a cross-section of Arizonans providing ethnic, geographic, gender, age and profession diversity.

- The members of the Commission to Prevent Violence Against Women shall be experts in areas of violence against women issues whose livelihood may be impacted by the decisions of the commission. They shall be expected to recuse themselves from discussions and decisions in areas where there may be the appearance of a conflict of interest.

2. This Commission supersedes the Governor's Commission on Prevention of Family Violence and assumes all responsibilities and roles previously held by the Governor's Commission on Prevention of Family Violence.

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

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capital in Phoenix this third day of April in the Year Two Thousand and Three and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-Seventh.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE
Executive Order 2001-06  
(Supercedes Executive Order 93-19)

Establishing the Governor's Commission on Prevention of Family Violence

WHEREAS, family violence cuts across all social, economic and ethnic lines; and

WHEREAS, the crime of physical or sexual assault when directed at any person violates his or her privacy, dignity, security rights and humanity; and

WHEREAS, research indicates that one out of three American women will be victims of domestic violence in her lifetime; and

WHEREAS, battering of women in their own homes accounts for more injuries to women requiring medical treatment than rapes, muggings, and car accidents combined; and

WHEREAS, children who witness domestic violence are more likely to grow up to become violent adults; and

WHEREAS, abuse of the elderly is a growing problem in American society that must be addressed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, hereby create the Governor's Commission on Prevention of Family Violence and order and direct:

1. The Commission shall:
   - Be appointed by, and serve, without compensation, at the pleasure of the Governor.
   - Meet at the call of the chair, but no fewer than four times a year.
   - Submit a report of its activities to the Governor no later than the first day of November of each year.
   - Be divided into two boards, the Policy Board and the Technical Board.

2. The Policy Board shall:
   - Have a chair from its membership appointed by the Governor.
   - Advise the Governor on policy issues related to all areas of family violence.
   - Advise the Governor on proposed legislation and existing laws relating to family violence issues.
   - Work with entities throughout the State to ensure community-planning efforts are coordinated.
   - Work with entities throughout the State to raise awareness around the issues of family violence.
   - Consist of no fewer than nine and no more than seventeen members, one of whom shall be the Director of the Governor's Office for Prevention of Family Violence. The members will represent a cross-section of Arizonans providing ethnic, geographic, gender, age, and professional diversity.
• Consist of members who have an interest and expertise in the areas of family violence but whose livelihood will not be directly impacted by the recommendations made by the Commission. Members of the Policy Board shall be active participants on at least one Commission committee.

• Be the entity that approves and forwards all Commission recommendations to the Governor.

3. The Technical Board shall:

• Have a chair or co-chairs appointed by the chair of Policy Board. Committee chairs shall be appointed by the chair or co-chairs of the Technical Board from the membership of the Technical Board.

• Membership of Commission committees may extend to interested members of the community who are not Commission members. The committee membership shall be determined by the committee chairs.

• Through the committees, develop recommendations on policy and legislative issues related to family violence. The committees shall make recommendations to the Technical Board, which will accept, modify or reject those recommendations and then pass them to the Policy Board as appropriate.

• Consist of no fewer than fifteen and no more than twenty-three members. The members will represent a cross-section of Arizonans providing ethnic, geographic, gender, age, and professional diversity.

• The members of the Technical Board shall be experts in areas of family violence whose livelihood may be impacted by the decisions of the commission. They shall be expected to recuse themselves from discussions and decisions in areas where there may be the appearance of a conflict of interest.

4. This Commission supersedes the Governor's Commission on Violence Against Women and assumes all responsibilities and roles previously held by the Governor's Commission on Violence Against Women.

5. Unless continued by Executive Order, this Commission shall terminate December 31, 2006.

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

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this Twentieth Day of March Two Thousand One and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-fifth.

ATTEST: [Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE
EXECUTIVE ORDER 93-19

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

WHEREAS, violence against women cuts across all social, economic, and racial lines; and

WHEREAS, the crime of violence or sexual assault when directed at a woman violates her privacy, dignity, security, rights and humanity; and

WHEREAS, battering of women in their own homes accounts for more injuries to women requiring medical treatment than rape, muggings, and car accidents combined; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence destroys families, contributes to juvenile delinquency, and increases the social service and economic burdens of government,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fife Symington, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, hereby create the Governor's Commission on Violence Against Women and order and direct:

1. The Commission shall
   - Coordinate and develop the resources needed to aid the victim of violence or sexual assault;
   - Advise the Governor on proposed and existing legislation to protect the victims, ensure their rights, and prosecute the abusers and assailants;
   - Educate the public to prevent the spread of violence and sexual assault;
   - Conduct a multifaceted campaign to raise public awareness of the nature, consequences, and extent of violence against women in Arizona.

2. The Commission shall be appointed by, and serve, without compensation, at the pleasure of the Governor. Active membership will be limited to 30 members. Nominees will apply to the Executive Board and the Executive Board will make recommendations for appointment to the Governor.

3. The Governor shall designate from among the membership an executive board and from among the executive board a Chairperson.

4. One member of the Executive Board must be a representative of the Governor's Office for Women who will serve as Executive Director.

5. The Commission shall meet at the call of the Chairperson, but no less than quarterly.
6. The Commission shall submit a report of its activities to the Governor no later than November 1 of each year.

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 this first day of October in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Seventeenth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE