## STATE OF ARIZONA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) is a federally funded college access program, administered by Northern Arizona University since 2000; and

WHEREAS, GEAR UP is designed to increase the number of students who graduate from high school prepared to succeed in college and the workforce; and

WHEREAS, GEAR UP focuses on students from underserved communities who might be the first in their family to enter and success in postsecondary education; and

WHEREAS, Arizona GEAR UP bases services on the 5E's of Equity - engage, empower, excel, elevate, and enrich - to provide services to high school seniors and middle school students to increase graduation rates and postsecondary attainment; and

WHEREAS, Arizona is committed to providing a quality education for all students and helping them achieve their highest potential.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 26 – 30, 2022, as

## ARIZONA GEAR UP 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 sixth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Seventh.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE