

Executive Order 2007-11
To Provide Moneys From the Health Crisis Fund
To Mitigate the Effects of Sudden Cardiac Arrest in Arizona

WHEREAS, there are an average of 250,000 Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest victims every year in the United States, making cardiac arrest the leading cause of death in our country; and

WHEREAS, the average number of Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrests in Arizona is 5000 per year; and

WHEREAS, the average survival rate for Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest in Arizona in 2004 was 3 percent; and

WHEREAS, two interventions have been proven to improve survival from Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest, bystander CPR and early defibrillation; and

WHEREAS, the 2005 American Heart Association guidelines delivered a goal of doubling the rate of survival from Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest by 2010; and

WHEREAS, increasing the rates of bystander CPR will improve overall survival rates for Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest; and

WHEREAS, Automated External Defibrillators are commonly placed in our community; and

WHEREAS, Automated External Defibrillator utilization by the public, while safe and effective, is rare; and

WHEREAS, a mass public education campaign focused on teaching the lay public to perform critical bystander CPR and use Automated External Defibrillators is feasible and would mitigate the devastating effects of cardiac arrest; and

WHEREAS, both bystander CPR and Automated External Defibrillator use can be taught on a mass scale, via brief video demonstration and mass educational mailers, to ensure more Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest victims receive them; and

WHEREAS, efforts to mitigate the effects of Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest through bystander CPR and Automated External Defibrillator education are neither a contingency nor an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 35-192 because they require neither state-municipal resource coordination nor Department of Emergency and Military Affairs assistance;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Arizona Constitution and the laws of the State, declare a

health crisis in this State resulting from the prevalence of Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest and hereby order as follows:

1. The Health Crisis Fund, as established pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-797, is authorized to transfer the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) to the Department of Health Services for use in public education, CPR training, and AED training to combat Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest.
2. The Department of Health Services shall expend all moneys transferred pursuant to the Order on measures to increase CPR and Automated External Defibrillator use by the lay public to assist victims of Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest in Arizona and shall report to the Legislature and the Governor by December 31, 2007 on the expenditures of all sums so transferred.

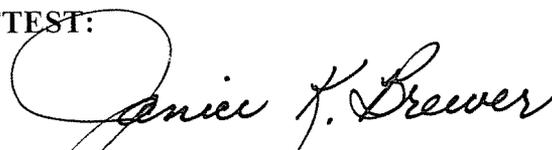
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.




GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 1st day of June in the Year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-First.

ATTEST:


SECRETARY OF STATE