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The Honorable Steve Montenegro
Speaker of the House
Arizona House of Representatives
1700 W. Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

RE: House Bills 2947, 2948, 2949, 2950, 2951, 2952, 2953, 2954, 2955, 2956, 2957, 2958, 2959, 2960, 2961

Speaker Montenegro,

Today, I vetoed the following bills:

- HB 2947 general appropriations act; 2025-2026
- HB 2948 amusements; 2025-2026
- HB 2949 capital outlay; appropriations; 2025-2026
- HB 2950 commerce; 2025-2026
- HB 2951 criminal justice; 2025-2026
- HB 2952 environment; 2025-2026
- HB 2953 health care; 2025-2026
- HB 2954 higher education; 2025-2026
- HB 2955 human services; 2025-2026
- HB 2956 K-12 education; 2025-2026
- HB 2957 local government; 2025-2026
- HB 2958 state buildings; management; 2025-2026
- HB 2959 revenue; 2025-2026
- HB 2960 state budget implementation; 2025-2026
- HB 2961 taxation; omnibus; 2025-2026

This is a reckless and partisan budget that slashes \$255 million from health care coverage for countless Arizonans. It cuts over a hundred million dollars from K-12 education, leaving public school students statewide without the resources they need. It worsens our state's childcare affordability crisis and it leaves homeless Veterans out on the streets.

From day one of the budget process, I have worked with leaders of both parties in both chambers to craft a bipartisan, balanced, and fiscally responsible budget. This reckless and partisan budget is not that. The partisan antics of the House Republicans should not distract us from working to pass a negotiated, bipartisan budget that strengthens public safety, lowers the cost of child care, protects public education funding, and gives our Veterans the support they deserve.

It's now time for House Republican leadership to set the political games to the side and work with their colleagues in a productive fashion to deliver a bipartisan solution for the people of our state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'K' followed by a long, sweeping horizontal line that curves slightly upwards at the end.

Katie Hobbs
Governor
State of Arizona

cc:

The Honorable Warren Petersen
The Honorable David Livingston
The Honorable Adrian Fontes