

REFERENCE TITLE: Arizona water professionals appreciation week

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## **HR 2002**

Introduced by  
Representative Gabaldón

### **A RESOLUTION**

**DESIGNATING APRIL 14-20, 2019 AS ARIZONA WATER PROFESSIONALS APPRECIATION WEEK.**

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1           Whereas, Arizona has diverse water resources, including groundwater  
2 preserved in vast underground aquifers, runoff from mountain rainfall and  
3 snowmelt collected in reservoirs, Colorado River water moved through  
4 hundreds of miles of canals around the State of Arizona and recycled  
5 wastewater treated to drinking water standards; and

6           Whereas, every community and every sector of this state's economy,  
7 from farming to mining, requires safe and reliable water to thrive; and

8           Whereas, streams, springs, rivers and riparian corridors are  
9 important water-dependent environmental resources that contribute to  
10 Arizona's natural beauty and unique recreational opportunities; and

11           Whereas, Arizona has been a leader in sustainable management of  
12 groundwater resources and has pioneered innovations such as water banking,  
13 water recharge and expanding the reuse of treated wastewater to replenish  
14 aquifers and improve local water supply reliability; and

15           Whereas, local public water and wastewater agencies invest annually  
16 in local water-related programs and projects that provide drinking water  
17 and sanitary services, protect public health and the environment, improve  
18 local water supply reliability and replenish and clean up groundwater  
19 basins; and

20           Whereas, protecting water resources is essential to this state's  
21 future and requires a well-trained workforce of water professionals; and

22           Whereas, Arizona's water industry offers a wide variety of rewarding  
23 career opportunities in engineering, hydrology, water operations, biology,  
24 policy, economics, business administration, law and communications; and

25           Whereas, thousands of water, wastewater and recycled water industry  
26 professionals in this state are dedicated to ensuring these water  
27 resources are safe and reliable for use by Arizonans and are well managed  
28 for future generations.

29 Therefore

30 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

31           That the Members of the House of Representatives designate  
32 April 14-20, 2019 as Arizona Water Professionals Appreciation Week and  
33 extend sincere gratitude and appreciation to the water professionals who  
34 are on the front line of the delivery of Arizona's safe and reliable  
35 water.