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Statement from House Republican Leadership on the State Budget Framework

PHOENIX, ARIZONA — The Majority Leadership of the Arizona House of Representatives and the Arizona State Senate intend to work diligently over the next several weeks to produce a continuation of the budget that passed last session. Today, the House Republican Leadership team released the following statement:

“With the state of the national economy in limbo, a continuation budget is the fiscally prudent, conservative approach for Arizona to safeguard essential governmental services.

“Last year, the Legislature passed a state budget with historic infrastructure investments, tax relief, and debt pay-downs.

“In order to continue state programs without fear of an irresponsible fiscal cliff, the Legislature seeks to provide certainty that at a minimum, we have a fiscal year 2023-2024 budget in place.

“We intend to build on last session’s successes and craft a budget that continues to champion fiscal responsibility, funding for key services, and relief for Arizonans.

“We anticipate a legitimate and spirited debate with the Governor’s office on new spending, but that debate should not happen with a loaded weapon pointed at essential services.”

The House Republican Leadership team includes Speaker Ben Toma (R-27), Majority Leader Leo Biasiucci (R-30), Majority Whip Teresa Martinez (R-16), Speaker Pro-Tempore Travis Grantham (R-14), and Appropriations Committee Chairman David Livingston (R-28).

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