## STATE OF ARIZONA COMMENDATION

**WHEREAS**, the Sisters of Mercy founded the Valley of the Sun's first hospital on March 19, 1895, to help tuberculosis patients who had arrived in Arizona seeking better health; and

WHEREAS, the hospital's mission, is to deliver compassionate, high-quality, affordable health services, to serve and advocate for those who are poor and disenfranchised, and to partner with others in the community to improve the quality of life, continues today; and

WHEREAS, St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center has served the people of Arizona for the past 125 years, providing care for ill and injured patients from throughout our state, nation, and world; and

WHEREAS, St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center has continually expanded its services and programs to become internationally known for its outstanding patient care, medical education, and research.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby honor and congratulate St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center on its 125th Anniversary. Best wishes for years to come.



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 twenty-fifth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Fourth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE