



STATE OF ARIZONA

JANICE K. BREWER
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Greetings!

It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome you to the website for the 2009 United States Capitol Christmas Tree Project. For the first time ever, Arizona is honored to provide "the people's tree" to be displayed in front of the U.S. Capitol Building over the 2009 Christmas holiday season.

Arizona's Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest was selected by the U.S. Forest Service to continue a tradition started in 1964 by providing one tree to be displayed at our Nation's Capitol, as well as 75 smaller trees to be placed in various federal offices in Washington, DC. In addition, we are calling upon the children of Arizona, and others, to create and decorate thousands of ornaments to adorn "the people's tree" with designs that represent the Great State of Arizona. This is an exciting opportunity for us to show the nation the richness of our State's natural beauty and the generosity of our people.

As honorary chairperson of the 2009 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree Project, I welcome your input and involvement in this great endeavor. Only through collaboration and public participation will we accomplish this feat and carry on the time-honored tradition.

Let's all work together to show the country the hard work, innovation and generous spirit of all Arizonans. Please take some time to review all of the opportunities for you to participate and provide a lasting memory of Arizona for leaders at our Nation's Capitol.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice K. Brewer".

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

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