

Janet Napolitano
Governor

Office of the Governor

*** I JUST AM – PROMOTING DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS AND TOLERANCE ***

WHEREAS, approximately one in every 800 children from all ethnic and societal backgrounds are born with Down syndrome; and

WHEREAS, while people with Down syndrome possess a wide range of abilities and are benefiting from important advances in research, education and health care, there is still a need to increase awareness and tolerance of children and adults with Down syndrome; and

WHEREAS, Tom Lambke and his son Bryan who has Down syndrome have co-authored a book called I JUST AM and are promoting the book as a way of changing misconceptions about the syndrome teaching important lessons that can be learned from individuals with Down syndrome; and

WHEREAS, with the support of sponsors Down Syndrome Network Arizona, Dr. Shannon Ringenbach, Mary Jo and Ken Lambke and Charlotte Davidge, I JUST AM is dedicated to individuals with Down syndrome who have the same feelings and share the same dreams as all of us; and

WHEREAS, Barnes and Noble bookstores, in conjunction with Bryan and Tom Lambke and the Down Syndrome Network of Arizona, are hosting three book signings in Phoenix and Mesa during February 2007 to celebrate the accomplishments of children and adults with Down syndrome;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby salute

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and Bryan Lambke and his family and friends for providing all of us with an insight into his world and inspiring us with his life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

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DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twelfth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-first.

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