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Gabriella Cázares-Kelly, Recorder

Pima County Recorder Gabriella Cázares-Kelly Named to Governor's Bipartisan Elections Task Force

PHOENIX — Governor Katie Hobbs appointed Pima County Recorder Gabriella Cázares-Kelly to the state's Bipartisan Elections Task Force.

The Task Force consists of experts across Arizona's elections community who represent political and geographic backgrounds from across Arizona.

"Arizona's voters deserve an election system that is free, fair, and secure. I look forward to the task force's recommendations and will continue working toward meaningful election reform that will improve the democratic process for voters and election administrators in Arizona," Gov. Katie Hobbs said.

"I am tremendously honored to be named to the Governor's task force," Recorder Cázares-Kelly said. "I am excited to work alongside a diverse group of individuals who have dedicated their lives to safeguarding our most fundamental of rights: one's ability to register to vote and cast a ballot."

Pima County is the second largest county in Arizona, has a large metropolitan area, as well as rural and tribal communities throughout, and has 630,000 registered voters and counting.

Members include:

- Adrian Fontes, Arizona Secretary of State
- Ken Bennett, State Senator District 1
- Laura Terech, State Representative District 4
- Gabriella Cázares-Kelly, Pima County Recorder
- Michelle Burchill, Yavapai County Recorder
- Helen Purcell, Former Maricopa County Recorder
- Scott Jarrett, Maricopa County Elections Director (Election Day and Emergency Voting)
- Alma Schultz, Santa Cruz County Elections Director
- Ben Lane, City of Scottsdale City Clerk
- Michael Moore, Maricopa Recorder's Office
- Ken Matta, Election Security Expert
- Patty Ferguson-Bohnee, Attorney and Director of the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law Indian Legal Clinic
- Alex Gulotta, All Voting is Local, Arizona State Director
- Don Henninger, The Carter Center, Representative
- Renaldo Fowler, Arizona Center for Disability Law, Senior Staff Advocate
- Christina Estes-Werther, Former Arizona Elections Director and Attorney
- Brad Nelson, Former Pima County Elections Director

The <u>Executive Order</u> creating the Bipartisan Elections Task Force aims to enhance the accessibility and security of Arizona's elections and will provide an opportunity for engagement on election issues. This Task Force will convene experts in election administration, election security, campaign finance, and voter rights.