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The State of Black Arizona as a 501c3 Nonprofit

PHOENIX, AZ – The State of Black Arizona on **Saturday, April 8 at 10:00am** at University of Phoenix Campus will host our Nonprofit Celebration. The nonprofit celebration event is our announcement to the community, we have officially transitioned from an advisory council of extraordinary leaders, researchers and sponsors who paved the way to nonprofit executing its mission and vision for the communities of Arizona. This event will highlight our new brand and initiatives while celebrating our “Anchor” sponsors, Arizona Community Foundation, Arizona Public Service, and Arizona State University Foundation who have planted seeds over the years to actualize this transition.

Garry Walters, Board Chair states the SBAZ is posed to launch the continuum efforts of realizing our mission. We serve as a conduit for the community to bring together constituents concerned with improving issues impacting African Americans in our state. Current events dictate, now is a critical time for SBAZ to take the lead in championing ideas that serve to improve our statewide communities.

Since our inception in 2009, SBAZ has been committed to facilitating important and impactful conversations among various medium throughout Arizona. We continue our mission to create a platform for data, demographics, and research to be synthesized in order to inform the community on the status of African Americans in Arizona. The data is intended to help community leaders and organizations, in action planning and decision making related to the issues and concerns within the state. We believe as a result of these efforts to compel both decision makers and the grassroots community to move towards concerted actions that provide solutions to improve the lives of all Arizonans.

The SBAZ will continue to support initiatives for students, educators, business leaders, lawmakers, and leadership for our community. In this transition, our attention will be focused on continued impactful initiatives, increasing our financial and operational sustainability, and developing an infrastructure that will optimize our resources for long-term growth.

The State of Black Arizona would like to thank its sponsors and supporters to include University of Phoenix, Fry's Food and Drug Stores, Inc, Rachel Frazier Johnson Law, PLLC, PayPal and Wells Fargo Bank.

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About the State of Black Arizona:

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