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Governor Jan Brewer Endorses District 4 County Supervisor Clint Hickman

Nationally respected and celebrated Governor endorses Hickman, lauds his responsible approach to budgeting

GOODYEAR—Maricopa County District 4 Supervisor Clint Hickman today received the endorsement of Governor Jan Brewer, a former District 4 Supervisor and beloved West Valley champion and resident. Governor Brewer said her beliefs in sound fiscal policy and diverse economic development fall right in line with Supervisor Hickman's policies.

"District 4 is very near and dear to my heart – it is my home and where I served when I was on the Board of Supervisors," stated Governor Brewer. "Like Max Wilson before him, I believe that Clint Hickman will be fiscally responsible in managing Maricopa County's budget and helping them do more with less. You can count on Clint to do the right thing and I am proud to offer my support."

"I'm incredibly honored to have the support of one of the greatest leaders the West Valley and Arizona has ever known," stated Supervisor Hickman. "Governor Brewer's legacy of protecting taxpayer dollars and always fighting for the right thing lives on at the County Board today and many of her decisive actions as Supervisor are still seen throughout the West Valley. I am determined to continue fighting for the taxpayers of District 4 and ensure we work to support our communities."

Supervisor Hickman's priorities for District 4 include promoting and protecting Luke Air Force Base, reducing harmful regulations and creating a business-friendly environment in the West Valley. You can learn more about Supervisor Clint Hickman and his campaign at <u>www.electclinthickman.com</u>.

About Governor Jan Brewer

Born in 1944 to Wilford and Edna Drinkwine, Jan Brewer grew up in Southern California. She lost her father at an early age, after he fell ill due to years spent breathing poisonous fumes while working at a Naval ammunitions depot. Edna Drinkwine, widowed and with two young children, did the only thing she could in facing this challenge: Meet it head-on.

So, she took all of her savings and opened a dress shop. Her daughter worked right beside her – with that small dress shop acting as a living classroom on the value of a dollar, the importance of hard work and the resilience inside every one of us.

Jan Brewer never forgot those lessons. They helped lead her to run for elected office in 1982 when, now married and with a young family of her own, Ms. Brewer grew concerned about her children's education. She was elected to the Arizona House of Representatives, where she served until 1987. Following that, she ran for and was elected to the Arizona State Senate. She served until 1996, including a four-year period as Majority Whip.

In 1996, Ms. Brewer was elected to the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors. She inherited a local government bogged-down so deeply in debt that it was using short-term borrowing just to

meet cash flow. Ms. Brewer was elected Board Chairwoman in 1998 and again in 2001. By the conclusion of her term in 2002, she and her fellow Supervisors had executed a financial turnaround so dramatic that Governing Magazine proclaimed Maricopa County "one of the two best managed large counties in the nation."

After serving two terms with the county, Ms. Brewer was elected Arizona Secretary of State in 2002. In this role, she led pioneering new efforts to assist voting by American military service members deployed overseas, and helped institute tough new regulations mandating ID at the polls. The toughest challenges of her political career lay just ahead, however.

Ms. Brewer became Governor in January 2009 following the resignation of Governor Janet Napolitano. Ms. Brewer – now Governor Brewer – would call upon each of the lessons from her upbringing and the entirety of her experience in public service.

Governor Brewer took control of a State budget crisis deemed the nation's worst, as well as an economy bleeding jobs by the tens of thousands. She vowed to bring Arizona back from the brink. And she did.

Governor Brewer has been focused on economic growth, as well. Knowing private business is the key to a strong economy, she recruited some of Arizona's top business leaders to participate in the new Arizona Commerce Authority. She has also kept State regulations lean and worked with legislators to trim taxes and incentivize the creation of quality jobs, helping Arizona stand out in the worldwide competition for capital investment and corporate relocation.

About Supervisor Clint Hickman

Clint Hickman is a fourth-generation Arizonan from one of the West Valley's most prominent families and businesses. He was appointed to the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors in March of 2013. Hickman was selected to replace former Supervisor Max Wilson and vowed to continue Wilson's tradition of integrity, decency and fairness – and to serve "as champion of the taxpayer."

Hickman brings energy, enthusiasm and enormous business and community experience to public service. He is vice president of sales and marketing at Hickman's Family Farms, Arizona's largest egg producer, a West Valley landmark business that started in 1944 on Grandma Nell's backyard porch and 50 hens. Hickman's Family Farms now houses four million hens.

Clint Hickman has more than 25 years of experience in the business. Other than four years at the University of Arizona, he has spent his entire life in the West Valley. Like his predecessor Max Wilson, Hickman comes to politics after long track record of community service and helping charitable causes. He is currently Honorary Commander of the 69th Fighter Squadron at Luke Air Force Base, a member of the Hunger Project, the Arizona and Maricopa County Farm Bureau, and board member of the Arizona Food Marketing Association. He was also appointed and served as one of the few civilian members on the Arizona Meth Project.

Hickman is a lifelong Republican – dedicated to promoting fiscal responsibility, protecting Luke Air Force Base, and reducing restrictions to support jobs and economic opportunities. He and his wife Jennifer have two sons and a daughter. They live in Goodyear.

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