



## National Lieutenant Governors Association

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### **Why Vote ‘YES’ on Arizona Proposition 131? To Elevate Arizona ... Its tourism, products, people, and more!**

“A ‘Yes’ vote on Arizona Proposition 131 would give Arizona and its residents a critical leg up to promote tourism and markets for Arizona products or to focus on tribal affairs, transportation, arts and culture, or more,” said National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA) Director Julia Brossart. “The creation of the position of “lieutenant governor” adds to the effectiveness of the state and its government in an efficient way.”

“A lieutenant governor is an added champion for the people, places, and products of Arizona,” said Brossart. “A ‘Yes’ on Proposition 131 would give Arizona a lieutenant governor which is an advantage in this globally competitive world. The structure and duties of the office may be leveraged as a competitive advantage to Arizona in the marketplace.”

“Lieutenant governors across the country perform vital daily duties ranging from leading tourism, commerce, arts, or tribal affairs, to chairing commissions on transportation, mining, long term care, and more,” said NLGA Deputy Director Kellie Rittershausen. “A lieutenant governor brings executive branch focus to fundamental items and issues.”

“Beyond that, gubernatorial succession is the shared and essential role of all lieutenant governors,” said Brossart. “A ‘Yes’ on Proposition 131 creates a governor and lieutenant governor structure that is most commonly used across the states. This is important for orderly and predictable transition if a governor vacates the office.”

In Arizona, press reports say that, prior to the current administration, no Governor had completed a full eight years in office in more than three decades. Arizona is also a growing state, largely from migration. Phoenix saw its population increase by 6.38% between 2016 and 2021 due to net migration alone, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. “The majority of these voters migrating into Arizona from other states are familiar with this Proposition 131 governor and lieutenant governor model,” said Brossart, “whereas now they may not recognize a vote for Secretary of State is also a vote for the gubernatorial successor.”

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