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## Greetings!

It is with great honor that I recognize the Historical League's Arizona Centennial Legacy Project: In their Own Words — Reflection and Recollections of Arizona Historymakers.

Since 1992, the Historical League has documented the oral histories of 58 Arizonans who, through the achievements in their respective fields, have helped define the Great State of Arizona. The list of influential Arizonans is as impressive as it is diverse.

Historymakers include statewide residents such as Bruce Babbitt, Joe Garagiola, well-known cartoonist Bil Keane, former Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, the Navajo Code Talkers and many others who are celebrated for bringing awareness and understanding of what it means to be an Arizonan. The personal words of these citizens tell us about our history, communities, and culture as much as they inform about individual spirit and accomplishment. These Historymakers have shaped Arizona's cultural fabric by their contributions to the arts, business, education, entertainment, sports, politics, philanthropy, and community service.

Their oral histories relay important information on events, describe the contributions they have made, challenges they have faced, and the impact these individuals have had on our state, all of which combine to chronicle the history of Arizona.

Congratulations to the Historical League for maintaining such vital information that helps us tell the Arizona story.

Sincerely,

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