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ARIZONA SENATE CONFIRMS TOM SIMPLOT AS STATE HOUSING DIRECTOR

****Confirmation shines light on Simplot's accomplishments during first 9 months in the role****

PHOENIX, AZ – The Arizona State Senate today officially confirmed Tom Simplot as the Director for the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH), citing his numerous achievements since being [appointed](#) to the leadership role by Governor Doug Ducey in May 2021.

"As the state's housing director, my responsibilities include ensuring that resources are available to provide affordable housing to all Arizonans, and ensuring that all stakeholders are engaged to achieve that goal," Simplot said.

In his first 9 months as ADOH Director, Simplot has accomplished the following:

- Reduced the burdensome regulatory framework for allocating Low Income Housing Tax Credits to speed up the delivery of new affordable housing (reducing 300 pages of regulations to less than 50).
- Identified \$24.5 million in funding to encourage affordable housing development and in 3 months received 9 applications and committed \$17 million to projects expected to create 1,187 new units.
- Has overseen \$40.7 million to provide transitional housing for Arizonans statewide, including members of the Native American Community and those with special needs.
- Has overseen \$15 million for 3 projects to provide transitional shelter for the homeless in Phoenix (a hotels-to-housing conversion for seniors), Kingman (exclusively for Veterans), and Flagstaff.
- Convened weekly with homelessness, health care, and local government housing experts to discuss critical needs and connect their initiatives into a cohesive homelessness/housing plan for all Arizona.

"Our state has never before seen the current amount of resources and effort dedicated to addressing the many needs along the housing spectrum, we cannot afford to let this opportunity slip by," Simplot said.

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About the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH)

Established in 2002, we administer programs to create, preserve, and invest in affordable housing statewide. ADOH does not own or build housing; we manage programs that convey funding to private and government entities that apply and meet criteria developed by state/federal law. ADOH receives no state General Fund appropriation and most programs are federally-funded.