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**Statement by Governor Jan Brewer**  
*ABOR Names University of Arizona President*

"I would like to welcome Dr. Ann Weaver Hart as the new President of the University of Arizona.

"Dr. Hart is a national leader in higher education with an extensive record of innovation at large research institutions, most recently as President of Temple University. Under Dr. Hart's direction, Temple's undergraduate and graduate applications increased, freshman-retention rates improved and the school's overall graduation rate increased at the second-fastest clip nationwide among public research institutions. I am confident she will bring the same level of energy and results to the University of Arizona.

"I also would like to acknowledge Dr. Eugene Sander for his steady leadership of the U of A during this transition period, as well as the Regents' Presidential Search Committee for conducting its mission in a comprehensive, professional and swift fashion.

"The U of A plays a leading role in educating our citizens, spearheading new research and medical breakthroughs and driving our economy. Dr. Hart has demonstrated her understanding and commitment to the university's land grant mission, its powerful medical complex and its role as a community hub of activity. Most importantly, she is committed to the success of our state's next generation of leaders, our students. I have great expectations both for the University of Arizona and its new leader: Dr. Ann Weaver Hart."

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