STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Arkansas 4-H is the youth development program of the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas 4-H influences more than 133,000 young people in our State each year, is represented by clubs in all 75 Arkansas counties and is part of a program serving more than 6-million youths nationwide; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas 4-H programs have a mission to help young people acquire knowledge, develop life skills and form attitudes helping them to become self-directing, productive members of society; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas 4-H addresses issues young people face wherever they live – in inner cities, suburbs and rural communities – and helps break barriers by focusing on learning by doing. 4-H builds self-esteem, leadership and citizenship skills, while focusing on critical issues such as protecting the environment; and

WHEREAS: Dedicated volunteers, parents and staff donate countless hours and endless energy to 4-H members and programs each year; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas 4-H'ers enjoy increased educational opportunities thanks to the Arkansas 4-H Foundation, including scholarship funding, facilities support to the C.A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center and subsidized activities to 4-H'ers statewide; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim February 24, 2015, as

ARKANSAS 4-H DAY

across the State of Arkansas, and I urge my fellow citizens to recognize the dedicated effort put forth by our Arkansas 4-H members, parents, leaders, volunteers, program staff and alumni.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 12th day of February, in the year of our Lord 2015.

ASA HUTCHINSON, GOVERNOR

Attest:

Mark Martin

MARK MARTIN, SECRETARY OF STATE