

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The federal TRIO Programs, established under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, provide educational opportunities for all Americans regardless of race, ethnic background, or economic circumstance, helping students to overcome social, academic, and cultural barriers to higher education; and

WHEREAS: Educational Talent Search, Upward Bound, and Upward Bound Math/Science Programs serve high-school students through college-admission and financial-aid assistance, tutoring, summer programs, and dropout prevention; and

WHEREAS: Educational Opportunity Centers assist adults in completing high school, selecting a college, applying for admission, and for financial aid; and

WHEREAS: Veterans Upward Bound Programs provide short-term academic courses, basic-skills instruction, and transition to postsecondary programs for military veterans; and

WHEREAS: Student Support Services assist undergraduates, including disabled students, to earn baccalaureate degrees through counseling, tutoring, and academic instruction; and

WHEREAS: The Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Program serves undergraduates by connecting them with faculty mentors and research opportunities and by preparing them for graduate and doctoral study; and

WHEREAS: The seventy-six TRIO Programs in our State, supported by more than \$22 million in federal funds, provide approximately 23,000 youths and adults with higher education in both private and public Arkansas institutions;

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 28, 2015, as

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across the State of Arkansas, and I urge my fellow citizens to recognize the important role of TRIO programs to the youth of Arkansas.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 11th day of March, in the year of our Lord 2015.



ASA HUTCHINSON, GOVERNOR

Attest:


MARK MARTIN, SECRETARY OF STATE