STATE OF ARKANSAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Since the founding of The Salvation Army in London, England in 1865, it has become the largest evangelistic ministry and social service agency in the world. Every day, the Army touches millions of people in 123 countries; and

WHEREAS: The Salvation Army has remained an integral part of our community by providing HOPE to the HUNGRY, HOMELESS and HURTING in Arkansas, and is a provider of Disaster Services offering support to first responders, victims of fire, floods, tornadoes and other natural disasters through their mobile kitchen and counseling services; and

WHEREAS: The Salvation Army offers year round mentoring programs to children that include tutoring, music education and Bible Study. The Salvation Army's Angel Tree program services thousands of children and their families with gifts and clothing for Christmas; and

WHEREAS: The Salvation Army also provides homeless shelters, feeding programs, after school programs for at risk children, participation in informational health fairs, nutrition classes for citizens of all ages and speakers on social service topics for local community groups; and

WHEREAS: The Salvation Army Central Arkansas Area Command raises over $2,000,000 annually to ensure that every citizen in need of services would receive quality care without discrimination;

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 the year 2015, as

THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SALVATION ARMY

across the State, and I encourage the support and participation of all citizens in the many programs this organization offers.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 24th day of April, in the year of our Lord 2015.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State