

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: *The Independence County, Arkansas Chapter of Ducks Unlimited is sponsoring the fifth annual “Smokin’ on the White” barbecue contest; and*

WHEREAS: *Historically, this chapter has raised more than \$20,000 annually for the preservation and conservation of duck habitats and population; and*

WHEREAS: *The “Smokin’ on the White” contest is sanctioned by the Memphis Barbecue Network (MBN) and will be a quality, desirable contest that will attract many of the winning teams on the barbecue circuit; and*

WHEREAS: *This cook-off seeks to promote, demonstrate and enhance the art of pork-barbecue cooking and competition that define the unique style of Memphis barbecue; 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 May 1st and 2nd, 2015, as the

*INDEPENDENCE COUNTY, ARKANSAS
CHAPTER OF DUCKS UNLIMITED
MEMPHIS BARBECUE NETWORK CHAMPIONSHIP*

across the State, and I encourage my fellow citizens to support this event and to enjoy the activities of this festive occasion.

FURTHERMORE, the Grand Champion of this contest will be declared the Arkansas State Champion of Memphis Style Barbecue for 2015.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 1st day of May, in the year of our Lord 2015.



Attest:

Asa Hutchinson
Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Mark Martin
Mark Martin, Secretary Of State