

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: *The State of Arkansas has a rich and colorful heritage, including its culture, visual and performing arts, social and political history, and its abundance of natural resources; and*

WHEREAS: *It is the mission of the Department of Arkansas Heritage to raise awareness of, and appreciation for, Arkansas's vast natural and cultural resources and to call attention to the history and beauty of our State; and*

WHEREAS: *Preserving, protecting and promoting our State's legacy, from Arkansas's territorial days to the present, requires commitment and dedication; and*

WHEREAS: *The stories, memories, artifacts and natural history of our past create our present culture and help to shape our future; and*

WHEREAS: *Arkansans have a duty to recognize and share their pride in our heritage with one another and with visitors to our State; and*

WHEREAS: *The Department of Arkansas Heritage encourages people to participate in the many events planned during the month of May. This year's celebration is centered around the theme: "From the Delta to the Hills: Different Landscapes, a Common Heritage";*

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 2015, as

ARKANSAS HERITAGE MONTH

across the State of Arkansas, and I urge my fellow citizens to promote awareness of, and to participate in, a month of local and statewide activities celebrating the many facets of Arkansas's distinctive and diverse heritage.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 28th day of April, in the year of our Lord 2015.




Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:


Mark Martin, Secretary Of State