

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Our children are our most precious asset and our greatest responsibility, as the future of our society depends largely upon their emotional, social, physical and intellectual growth; and

WHEREAS: Parents, whether biological, adoptive, step or foster, play a crucial role in shaping the lives of their children, nurturing them as infants, providing protection and encouragement throughout childhood, and offering guidance and support when they reach adulthood and face the challenges and opportunities of families and careers; and

WHEREAS: Parents, who impress upon their children the importance of honesty, respect, education, empathy, service and determination, help them develop into healthy, caring, loving, responsible and contributing citizens and future parents; and

WHEREAS: Informed parenting adds stability and strength to families, also helping to reduce social problems, including substance abuse, academic failure, teenage pregnancy, violence and crime; and

WHEREAS: “Parent’s Day” pays tribute to the men and women who have embraced the challenge of parenthood. It is also an opportunity to promote parenting education, parent involvement and parent networks to improve the quality of life in Arkansas and to benefit future generations;

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 July 26, 2015, as

NATIONAL PARENT’S DAY IN ARKANSAS

across the State, and I urge my fellow citizens to commend the hard work and sacrifice of devoted parents who, as a child’s first teachers, mentors, and role models, play an invaluable role in shaping the future foundation of our State and our Nation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 9th day of July, in the year of our Lord 2015.




Asa Hutchinson, Governor

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Mark Martin, Secretary Of State