

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Arkansas, aptly named “The Natural State”, has a rich heritage in its abundant natural resources and enjoys a national reputation for hunting, fishing, watchable wildlife and outdoor recreation; and

WHEREAS: The Arkansas Game and Fish Foundation (AGFF), formed in 1982, is a nonprofit organization composed of men and women who are passionate about promoting hunting, fishing and conservation education among the youth of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: The Arkansas Outdoor Hall of Fame began in 1992 as a project of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission and the AGFF to recognize Arkansans’ achievements in outdoor fields, to promote conservation education and to protect wildlife habitat. The AGFF 2015 Arkansas Outdoor Hall of Fame Banquet is being held on August 21<sup>st</sup>; and

WHEREAS: During the Hall of Fame Banquet, the AGFF honors an individual with the Legacy Award for their dedication to fish and wildlife and conservation for the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: This year’s recipient of the Legacy Award is Jim Gaston. He is the owner of Gaston’s White River Resort and has been in the forefront of Arkansas’s world-acclaimed trout fishing activities for more than 35 years, with a leading role in the promotion of tourism for all the State as well as his home area;

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 August 21, 2015, as

**JIM GASTON DAY IN ARKANSAS**

across the State, and I urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the important contributions of Jim Gaston to the State 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 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, in the year of our Lord 2015.



  
Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

  
Mark Martin, Secretary Of State