

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The freedom and security, which citizens of the United States enjoy today, are direct results of the blood that was shed by – and the ongoing vigilance – of the men and women of the United States Armed Forces over the history of our great Nation; and

WHEREAS: The sacrifices, made by members of the United States Armed Forces and the family members who support them, have preserved the liberties that enrich our nation, making it unique in the world community; and

WHEREAS: The United States Congress, in 1936, passed a resolution designating the last Sunday in September as “Gold Star Mother’s Day” calling on all Americans to recognize and honor all mothers whose sons or daughters lost their lives while serving in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS: America’s Gold Star Mothers and their families continue to remember the sons and daughters who made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our nation; and

WHEREAS: Gold Star Mothers and Families Day gives us the opportunity to pay our respects to the mothers and families of fallen soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, guardsmen, reservists and Coast Guard, and to reassure them that their children’s legacies live on because of their valor, honor and patriotism;

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 September 27, 2015, as

GOLD STAR MOTHERS AND FAMILIES DAY

across the State, and I urge my fellow citizens to join me in recognizing the courage, strength and patriotism of the mothers and families of the men and women whose lives have been lost in the line of duty.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 14th day of September, in the year of our Lord 2015.



Asa Hutchinson

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Mark Martin

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State