

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, founded on January 15 1908, on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C., is America's first Greek-letter organization for African -American women; and

WHEREAS: The sorority was conceived by Ethel Hedgeman Lyle and fifteen other visionaries who were resolved that their college experience should be meaningful and productive. That small group has grown to a membership of more than 200,000 college-educated women worldwide, including politicians, lawyers, medical professionals, and educators; and

WHEREAS: This philanthropic organization's motto is Service to All Mankind. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's influence extends beyond campus quads and student interest and has gained a legacy of service that deepens, rather than ends with graduation; and

WHEREAS: Every year on October 24th, United Nations Association of the USA chapters celebrate the anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter. The Alpha Kappa Alpha-UNA-USA partnership presents an opportunity for both to educate communities on the lifesaving work of the UN; and

WHEREAS: 2015 commemorates the 70th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter. It is also a year of adopting a new set of Sustainable Development Goals focused on ending poverty, violence, promoting health, protect the environment, and ensuring equality for all; and

WHEREAS: Internationally, Alpha Kappa Alpha responds to the contemporary needs of the African-American community with comprehensive non-traditional programs designed to draw from the sorority's tremendous reservoir of strength and commitment to serve;

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 October 24<sup>th</sup>

UNITED NATIONS DAY

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 October, in the year of our Lord 2015.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Asa Hutchinson".

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mark Martin".

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State