

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Arkansas acknowledges the importance of high quality education, particularly in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas also recognizes the critical need for its students to be well prepared in these areas to meet the technological demands of the modern workforce; and

WHEREAS: The Environmental and Spatial Technology model was first created at Greenbrier High School in the 1995-1996 school year and was named EAST by its students; and

WHEREAS: The model, promulgated under the direction of the not-for-profit organization named the EAST Initiative has subsequently been adopted in more than 220 schools throughout Arkansas and in four other states; and

WHEREAS: For two decades, the EAST model has increased student opportunities by providing cutting-edge technology to schools and encouraging experiential learning by challenging students to apply this technology to student-led community service projects; and

WHEREAS: EAST students have helped improve their communities through these projects and have equipped themselves with valuable skills to apply in the workforce;

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 March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016, as

EAST DAY

and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, in the year of our Lord 2016.



  
Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:  
  
Mark Martin, Secretary Of State