

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas recognizes the need for quality computer science and engineering education to create a future-ready workforce and ensure a strong, stable economy in a changing world; and

WHEREAS: This is at a turning point in Arkansas history as we take the lead nationally in providing quality computer science education to students from every background and demographic; and

WHEREAS: In addition to providing educational opportunities, it is important to promote excitement and interest in technological careers; and

WHEREAS: Competitive robotics provides motivation and excitement for students to pursue education in science and technology fields, allowing them to pursue excellence in competition while learning teamwork and skills that will broaden their future job options; and

WHEREAS: Competitive robotics builds character, resilience, teaches problem solving and encourages youth to overcome adversity; and

WHEREAS: The growing interest and participation in competitive robotics in Arkansas is both a sign of the success of our state's coding programs and also an exciting way to attract more attention to the many opportunities that computer science and engineering provide to students in Arkansas;

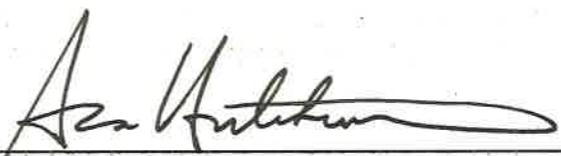
NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim April 17th through April 24th, 2016, as

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across the State, and I urge all citizens to encourage and support our young people as they take part in computer science education, engineering and competitive robotics activities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 12th day of April, in the year of our Lord 2016.




Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Asst:


Mark Martin, Secretary Of State