

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas recognizes the importance of protecting and preserving our natural resources and adopting conscientious habits that will improve our daily lives and bring about a cleaner, safer, and more sustainable environment; and

WHEREAS: Although there has been a significant increase in the amount of recycling in Arkansas to date, we must also continue to focus on other initiatives such as waste reduction, composting, the reuse of products and materials, and purchasing recycled products; and

WHEREAS: By encouraging businesses, state agencies, non-profit organizations, schools and individuals to celebrate America Recycles Day 2016, we can further promote recycling as an environmentally efficient and economically smart habit; and

WHEREAS: State and community leaders can work together to recycle waste and develop innovative ways to manage our resources more sustainably, and they can also help foster greater awareness of the need to expand collection programs by promoting the benefits to businesses that invest in recycling; and

WHEREAS: Recycling not only preserves our environment by conserving precious resources and reducing our carbon footprint but it also contributes to job creation and economic development. It is important that all Arkansas citizens learn more about the many recycled and recyclable products available to them as consumers;

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

**AMERICA RECYCLES DAY IN ARKANSAS**

across the State, and I encourage all citizens to learn more about the recycling options available throughout Arkansas.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, in the year of our Lord 2016.



  
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Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:



Mark Martin, Secretary Of State