

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: American Legion Baseball is a national institution, having thrived through a world war, several national tragedies, and times of great prosperity as well as great despair; and

WHEREAS: The league still stands behind the traditional values upon which it was founded in 1925. American Legion Baseball has taught hundreds of thousands of young Americans the importance of sportsmanship, good health, and active citizenship. The program is also a promoter of equality, making teammates out of young athletes regardless of their income levels or social standings. American Legion Baseball has been, and continues to be, a stepping stone to manhood for millions of young men who have gone on to serve their country or community, raise families, or play the sport at the highest level; and

WHEREAS: American Legion Baseball in Arkansas began in the fall of 1927 and has been a positive influence on the lives of thousands of Arkansas's young men over its 89 years of existence; and

WHEREAS: Texarkana American Legion Post 58 is the sponsor of the Texarkana Post 58 Razorbacks Baseball Team; and

WHEREAS: The Texarkana Post 58 Razorbacks won the State Tournament held on July 24, 2016, held at Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: Then the Texarkana Post 58 Razorbacks went on to win The American Legion Mid-South Regional Tournament on August 8, 2016, held at the University of Arkansas in Little Rock; and

WHEREAS: The skill and athleticism of the Texarkana Post 58 Razorbacks Team secured their victory as they traveled to Shelby, North Carolina on August 16, 2016, where they defeated Rowan County Post 342 and won the state's first-ever American Legion World Series;

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 January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as

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across the State, and I encourage my fellow citizens to reflect upon the tremendous accomplishments achieved by this talented group of young Arkansans and to celebrate their victory with them.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, in the year of our Lord 2017.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State