

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care for athletes and those individuals engaged in physical activity based on specific tasks, knowledge and skills acquired through their nationally regulated educational processes; and

WHEREAS: Athletic trainers provide knowledge on the prevention of injuries, recognition, evaluation and treatment of injuries, rehabilitation, health care administration, education and guidance; and

WHEREAS: The Arkansas Athletic Trainers' Association represents and supports over 300 members of the athletic training profession employed in various settings, including professional sports, colleges and universities, high schools, military branches, clinics and hospitals, as well as corporate and industrial settings; and

WHEREAS: Leading organizations concerned with athletic training and health care have joined together in a common desire to raise public awareness of the importance of the athletic training profession and to emphasize the importance of quality health care within the aforementioned settings; and

WHEREAS: Such an effort will improve health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity and promote athletic trainers as health professionals;

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 2017, as

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across the State, and I urge all citizens to learn more about the importance of athletic training.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, in the year of our Lord 2017.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor



Attest:



Mark Martin, Secretary Of State