

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: June 7, 2017 marks the 50th anniversary of the Reunification of the city of Jerusalem during the Six Day War; and

WHEREAS: For the Jewish people, the city of Jerusalem is the historical and spiritual center of the nation of Israel; furthermore, Jerusalem is the eternal capital of Israel; and

WHEREAS: Some of the fiercest battles of Israel's War of Independence were fought over the city of Jerusalem. While many perceive the War of Independence as a victory for Israel, for Jews the victory was tarnished because the Old City of Jerusalem was lost, and for the next 19 years remained divided; and

WHEREAS: In June of 1967, the beleaguered State of Israel prevailed over its Arab adversaries who so greatly outnumbered them in the Six Day War; and

WHEREAS: On June 7, 1967, the third day of the Six Day War, soldiers of Israel's Defense Forces entered the Old City of Jerusalem, which over the centuries has come to symbolize the love of the Jewish people for their ancient homeland, and reunited it, making it once again an integral part of the Jewish State;

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 June 7th, 2017 as

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REUNIFICATION OF JERUSALEM

across the State, and I encourage all citizens to recognize this historic day and to join with the people of Israel and of all nations in fervent hope and profound desire for an enduring peace.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 31st day of May, in the year of our Lord 2017.



Asa Hutchinson

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

Mark Martin

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State