

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The aim of the Pay It Forward concept is to promote community spirit through intentional acts of kindness; and

WHEREAS: The *Pay It Forward* novel, written by Catherine Ryan Hyde in 2000, has inspired the creation of a movie, a nonprofit foundation, and a movement that has been vital in encouraging millions of good deeds all over the world; and

WHEREAS: Pay it Forward Day is a worldwide effort being supported by people in more than 80 countries around the world; and

WHEREAS: Pay it Forward Day encourages people to do good deeds for others without asking for anything in return except for the recipients to pay it forward to others in need; and

WHEREAS: Together, we can make a difference by creating positive change in our community and world—one good deed at a time;

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 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018, as

**PAY IT FORWARD DAY IN ARKANSAS**

across the State, and I urge my fellow citizens to observe this day with activities and acts of kindness that demonstrate and celebrate selfless giving.

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 April, in the year of our Lord 2018.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State