

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Agriculture is Arkansas's largest industry and contributes over \$21 billion to our state's economy each year; and

WHEREAS: Pork production consistently ranks among Arkansas's top 10 agricultural commodities in cash receipts, valued at \$64 million annually; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas has more than 470 farms that produce more than 1.2 million hogs annually; and

WHEREAS: The average American eats approximately 50 pounds of pork annually; and

WHEREAS: Pork is a good source of protein and other nutrients for children and adults, including thiamin, selenium, and zinc; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas pork producers produce a safe, wholesome product for the consuming public; and

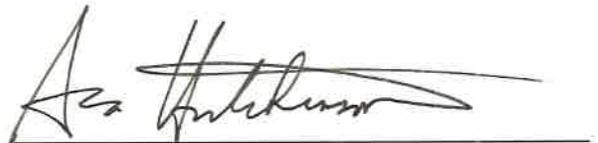
WHEREAS: Arkansas pork producers protect and promote animal well –being; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas pork producers safeguard natural resources in their practices;

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 October 2018, as

ARKANSAS PORK MONTH

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 11th day of October, in the year of our Lord 2018.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor



Attest:



Mark Martin, Secretary Of State