

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Narcolepsy is a chronic neurological disorder caused by the brain's inability to regulate sleep-wake cycles, which affects an estimated 1 in every 2,000 Americans; and

WHEREAS: Narcolepsy is an under-recognized and under-diagnosed condition; and

WHEREAS: The symptoms of narcolepsy, especially when misdiagnosed, can lead to accidents, injuries, and problems with learning and working; and

WHEREAS: Narcolepsy affects people neurologically, socially, and emotionally; and

WHEREAS: Narcolepsy can affect people of all ages, with onset typically between the ages of 10 and 30;

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 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, as

**SUDDENLY SLEEPY SATURDAY A DAY FOR NARCOLEPSY AWARENESS**

across the State, and I urge all citizens to promote awareness of this disease and support those who suffer from narcolepsy.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, in the year of our Lord 2019.

  
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Asa Hutchinson, Governor



Attest:

  
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John Thurston, Secretary Of State