

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: In July, people with disabilities and their supporters celebrate the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

WHEREAS: There are over 50 million people with disabilities of all ages living in communities throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS: The disability community has a critical interest in policies enacted at local, state, and national levels that affect the integration of people with disabilities, young and old, into our communities; and

WHEREAS: Getting the disability community involved in influencing public policies is essential if these policies are to meet the real needs of people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS: Voting is one way for the disability community to exert their influence at local, state, and national elections; and

WHEREAS: There are multiple efforts to develop state disability coalitions around the topic of voting; and

WHEREAS: R.E.V. U.P. America (Register-Educate-Vote-Use your Power) is a national effort to encourage state and local disability community voting coalitions;

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 July 15th through July 19th, 2019, as

NATIONAL DISABILITY VOTER REGISTRATION WEEK IN ARKANSAS

across the State, and I encourage my fellow citizens to support the involvement of the disability community in the political process.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 20th day of June, in the year of our Lord 2019.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor



Attest



John Thurston, Secretary Of State