TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice that is preventable; and

WHEREAS: Distracted driving can result in injuries and deaths to all road users (motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists); and

WHEREAS: Distracted driving occurs when drivers divert their attention away from the task of driving to focus on another activity instead; and

WHEREAS: The increased health and well-being of Arkansas citizens is a direct result of increased enforcement and awareness about the dangers of distracted driving; and

WHEREAS: In order to reduce the number of crashes, as well as improve driver safety, Arkansas drivers should commit to adopting and maintaining safe behavior while behind the wheel; and

WHEREAS: Increased enforcement of distracted driving laws coupled with publicity has proven to be an effective method to reduce distracted driving and save lives;

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 2020, as

DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS MONTH

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 2nd day of February, in the year of our Lord 2020.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest

John Thurston, Secretary Of State