TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME — GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base; and

WHEREAS: Economic developers stimulate and incubate entrepreneurship in order to help establish the next generation of new businesses, which is the hallmark of the American economy; and

WHEREAS: Economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, provincial, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions; and

WHEREAS: Economic developers attract and retain high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions; and

WHEREAS: Economic developers work in every county within the State of Arkansas;

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 May 4th through May 9th, 2020, as

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK IN ARKANSAS

And remind individuals of the importance of this community celebration which supports the expansion of career opportunities and improving quality of life.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 18th day of March, in the year of our Lord 2020.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

John Thurston, Secretary Of State