

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: An estimated 50,000 Americans and 1 million people worldwide have been diagnosed with tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC), a genetic disease with no cure; and

WHEREAS: Tuberous sclerosis complex is often a devastating disorder that causes tumors to form in vital organs, including the brain, heart, kidneys, skin, liver and lungs; and

WHEREAS: The disease is also the leading genetic cause of both epilepsy and autism; and

WHEREAS: Tuberous sclerosis complex affects some people severely, and others so mildly it often goes undiagnosed; and

WHEREAS: The incidence of TSC is as common as Lou Gehrig's disease (ALS) or cystic fibrosis, so increased awareness is vital; and

WHEREAS: The Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance and other groups around the world have joined together to promote awareness of the disorder to ensure people with TSC get the best possible treatment and proper diagnosis;

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 15th, 2020, as

TUBEROUS SCLEROSIS AWARENESS DAY

across the State, and I urge all of our citizens to support the search for a cure and assist those individuals and families who deal with this challenging disease on a daily basis.

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 May, in the year of our Lord 2020.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Asa Hutchinson", is written over a horizontal line.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor