

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

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Hydrocephalus is a condition that has no cure and in which the primary characteristic is excessive accumulation of cerebrospinal fluid in the brain resulting in abnormal widening of ventricles in the brain, which creates harmful pressure on brain tissues and can be fatal if untreated; and

WHEREAS: Experts estimate that the number of people who develop or who are currently living with hydrocephalus is over 1 million Americans and occurs in 1 in every 770 live births; and

WHEREAS: The only treatment for hydrocephalus requires brain surgery. Most often it requires surgically inserting a shunt system which diverts the flow of cerebrospinal fluid to an area of the body where it can be absorbed; and

WHEREAS: Starting in 2009, the United States Congress annually passes a Resolution designating September as National Hydrocephalus Awareness Month;

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 September 2022, as

**HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH IN ARKANSAS**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the year of our Lord 2022.



  
Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

  
John Thurston, Secretary of State