TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Our children are our most precious asset and our greatest responsibility, as the future of our society depends largely upon their emotional, social, physical, and intellectual growth; and

WHEREAS: Parents, whether biological, adoptive, step or foster, play a crucial role in shaping the lives of their children, nurturing them as infants, providing protection and encouragement throughout childhood, and offering guidance and support when they reach adulthood and face the challenges and opportunities of families and careers; and

WHEREAS: Parents who impress upon their children the importance of honesty, respect, education, empathy, service, and determination, help develop healthy, caring, loving, and responsible citizens and future parents; and

WHEREAS: Informed parenting adds stability and strength to families, while also helping to reduce issues such as substance abuse, academic failure, teenage pregnancy, violence, and crime; and

WHEREAS: “Parent’s Day” pays tribute to those who have embraced the challenge of parenthood. It is also an opportunity to promote parenting education, parent involvement, and parent networks to improve the quality of life in Arkansas and to benefit future generations;

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 24th, 2022, as

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across the State, and I urge my fellow citizens to commend the hard work and sacrifice of devoted parents who, as a child’s first teacher, mentor, and role model, play an invaluable role in shaping the future foundation of our State and our Nation.

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 July, in the year of our Lord 2022.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

John Thurston, Secretary of State