

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Professional truck drivers deliver goods to every home, community, school, and business in Arkansas. Almost 87 percent of Arkansas communities depend solely on the trucking industry for their goods and commodities, including essentials, such as groceries, medical supplies, and fuel; and

WHEREAS: There are nearly 36,000 professional truck drivers in Arkansas, delivering everything from seeds and livestock for local farmers, to books and technology for neighborhood schools; and

WHEREAS: These men and women log 5.5 billion miles annually, and last year, delivered 92 percent of the state's freight tonnage, or over 146,280 tons each day, supporting communities and businesses both large and small in every region of the State; and

WHEREAS: In the face of supply chain disruptions and equipment and workforce shortages, truck drivers continue to deliver around the clock; and

WHEREAS: In times of prosperity or times of crisis, the State's and our Nation's economy rides on the shoulders of professional drivers who bring what we need every day to thrive and survive, build, and rebuild our lives across 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 September 11th through September 17th, 2022, as

TRUCK DRIVER APPRECIATION WEEK

across the State, and I encourage my fellow citizens to join me in this observance.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 9th day of September, in the year of our Lord 2022.



Asa Hutchinson

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

John Thurston

John Thurston, Secretary of State