

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: There are over 140 local Chamber of Commerce operating in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: Local Chambers of Commerce have contributed to the civic and economic life of Arkansas for 154 years since the founding of the first local chamber of commerce in 1866; and

WHEREAS: Local Chambers of Commerce work with businesses, nonprofits, merchants, and industry to advance the civic, economic, professional, industrial, and cultural life of the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: Local Chambers of Commerce in Arkansas foster and encourage the growth of existing businesses and encourage new businesses to locate in Arkansas, acting as a liaison between the business community, education, and government; and

WHEREAS: Local Chambers of Commerce have distinguished themselves through their promotion of local communities and projects. By fostering job creation, improving education, and developing infrastructure, these organizations have laid the foundation for many communities, contributing to a better future for all Arkansans; and

WHEREAS: Local Chambers of Commerce have served as the critical link between government, business, and healthcare during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas recognizes the contribution of local Chambers of Commerce to the economic and civic vitality of 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 October 19th through October 23rd, 2020, as

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEEK 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 30th day of September, in the year of our Lord 2020.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor