TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Severe Weather Awareness Week creates an important opportunity for every resident of Arkansas to prepare their homes, places of business, and communities for severe weather; and

WHEREAS: Investing in our own preparedness, and that of our families, businesses, and hometowns, can reduce fatalities and economic devastation in our communities and in our nation; and

WHEREAS: The National Weather Service, and the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management, along with other federal, state, local, tribal, territorial, private, and volunteer agencies are working to increase public activities in preparing for severe weather and to educate individuals on how to take action; and

WHEREAS: Emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every Arkansas citizen, and all Arkansans are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together as a team to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of every type; and

WHEREAS: All citizens of Arkansas are encouraged to participate in Severe Weather Awareness Week activities and are asked to visit the Little Rock National Weather Service website at www.weather.gov/LZK or the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management website at www.dps.arkansas.gov/emergency-management/adem/to become more prepared;

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 February 28th through March 6th, 2021, as

SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 27th day of January, in the year of our Lord 2021.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

John Thurston, Secretary of State