

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME - GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Public knowledge of civics is imperative so that citizens know what government is, how it works, the principles upon which it was founded, how it affects the lives of Americans, and how constitutes can influence it; and

WHEREAS: Study of the history, workings, influences, organizations, and evolution of United States political thought, governmental systems, and political processes is the very core of citizenship and civic duty; and

WHEREAS: The importance of civics awareness in Arkansas is to inform students of the true American experiment: our system of limited government and its checks and balances were designed to promote democratic ideals. It all starts with the individual; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas remains committed to teaching students to be knowledgeable of the key points of US history and civics; and

WHEREAS: It is important to embolden all of Arkansas's students, educators, parents, and guardians to participate fully in civics awareness, so they remain cognizant and discerning;

NOW, THEREFORE, I ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the Sate of Arkansas by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim October 2021, as

CIVICS AWARENESS MONTH

across the state and encourage all citizens to increase their knowledge of civics in order to participate more fully in our democratic systems.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 7th day of July, in th eyear of our Lord 2021



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Asa Hutchinson", written over a horizontal line.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John Thurston", written over a horizontal line.

John Thurston, Secretary of State