

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Excellence in education and ethical values is vital to the success of our nation and our state. In the great state of Arkansas, we seek the betterment of our citizens and look to instill each child and adolescent with quality education and an understanding of good ethics; and

WHEREAS: By preparing our students for the responsibilities and opportunities of the future, education develops the intellect through lessons in literacy, math, and science; and

WHEREAS: The Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, a global spiritual leader who dedicated his life to the betterment of mankind, was a tireless advocate for youth around the world. He emphasized the importance of education and good character, and instilled hope for a brighter future into the lives of countless people in America and across the globe; and

WHEREAS: The Rebbe taught that education should include the acquisition of knowledge and preparation for a career to make a better living for oneself as well as for the society as a whole, and that the educational system must therefore pay more attention to the building of character, with emphasis on moral and ethical values; and

WHEREAS: In recognition of the Rebbe's outstanding and lasting contributions toward improvements in world education, morality, and acts of charity, he has been awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, and the United States Congress has established his birth date as a national day to raise awareness and strengthen the education of our children; and

WHEREAS: The President of the United States has paid recognition to the Rebbe's vision each year on that day by proclaiming it Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A.;

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 April 7th, 2017 as

EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY, U.S.A.

in the State of Arkansas, and I call upon government officials, educators, volunteers, and citizens to reach out to young people and work to create a better, brighter, and more hopeful future for all.

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 March, in the year of our Lord 2017.



Mark Martin
Mark Martin, Secretary Of State

Asa Hutchinson, Governor