

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME - GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The people of the State of Arkansas recognize that an abundant supply of

safe, clean, high-quality drinking water is vital to our health, safety, quality

of life, and economic well-being; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas's water resources are of inestimable value, and we rely on

professionals affiliated with our water utilities and with our state agencies

to ensure dependable, safe, clean water service to our homes, farms,

businesses, and industries; and

WHEREAS: We are pleased to honor the requests of the agencies and organizations

listed below to set aside a time for our citizens to focus attention on the progress made by our water utilities and to further public awareness of the challenges posed by urbanization, population growth, and the threat of

pollution:

The Arkansas Department of Health

The Arkansas Environmental Academy

The Arkansas Natural Resources Commission

The Arkansas Rural Water Association

The Water and Wastewater Managers Association;

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 30th through May 6th, 2017 as

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across the State, and I urge my fellow citizens to join me in recognizing this most precious natural resource and to commend the men and women of our drinking-water utilities, their contractors, and the state agencies, on whom we depend, twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 23rd day of January, in the year of our Lord 2017.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

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