

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas is celebrating Law Week in conjunction with Law Day, an annual celebration of our Nation’s great heritage of liberty, justice, and equality under law; and

WHEREAS: The tradition of jurisprudence is the powerful embodiment of our government’s responsibility to protect the freedom of its citizens and to keep them safe from harm. It is up to each of us to help ensure that this system remains true; and

WHEREAS: This country was founded on the principle that voluntary adherence to the rule of law expands, rather than limits, the opportunities for freedom; and

WHEREAS: The future of America’s democracy requires understanding of the nature and basis of our freedoms and recognition of the individual responsibilities which those freedoms impose; and

WHEREAS: Law Day has been an annual observance since President Dwight Eisenhower established it in 1958 as a day of national dedication to the principle of government under the rule of law; and

WHEREAS: Law Day 2022, celebrated nationally on May 1, 2022, marks the 64th anniversary of this observance. This year’s theme, “Toward a More Perfect Union: The Constitution in Times of Change,” is dedicated to the United States Constitution, a comprehensive document that outlines a blueprint for government, delegates power, articulates rights, and offers the framework from which Congress and State Legislatures may enact laws for the benefit of their constituents;

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 May 1 through May 6, 2022, as

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across the State of Arkansas, and I urge all citizens, schools, businesses, and media to use this occasion to reaffirm our commitment to maintaining a just and civil society in a rapidly changing world and to preserving and strengthening the rule of law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, in the year of our Lord 2022.



*Asa Hutchinson*

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

*John Thurston*

John Thurston, Secretary of State