



December 12, 2025

To: The Honorable Breanne Davis, Senate Chair, ALC-Personnel Subcommittee  
The Honorable Les Warren, House Chair, ALC-Personnel Subcommittee  
State Capitol Building  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Copy: The Honorable Ben Gilmore, Senate Chair, Arkansas Legislative Council  
The Honorable Les D. Eaves, House Chair, Arkansas Legislative Council  
Ms. Marty Garrity, Director, Bureau of Legislative Research  
Mr. Tony Robinson, Administrator, Personnel Subcommittee  
Dr. Ken Warden, Commissioner, Arkansas Division of Higher Education

Dear Senator Breanne Davis and Representative Les Warren,

The University of Arkansas Community College at Hope–Texarkana (UAHT) respectfully requests approval, pursuant to ACA § 21-1-402, to employ Dolly Henley in a state-appropriated temporary “extra help” position. Ms. Henley is currently serving her first term in the Arkansas House of Representatives, representing District 88.

UAHT has a position that was unexpectedly vacated: Director of Hempstead Hall, a role previously held by Ms. Henley. Hempstead Hall is a 65,000-square-foot event venue and conference center that hosts cultural and artistic programming, educational and workforce training activities, and community meetings and functions. This vacancy has placed the college and surrounding community in a significant operational challenge, as the facility serves not only UAHT but also other educational institutions, businesses, and community organizations.

To maintain continuity of operations, UAHT proposes reallocating approximately \$10,500 from funds already budgeted for the full-time position to support a temporary, interim, appointment. The position would be limited to 20 hours per week at \$35 per hour. Duties would include supervision of staff, oversight of scheduled events, compliance with existing policies and procedures, and support for transition planning until a permanent director is hired.

If approved, UAHT intends to employ Ms. Henley as Interim Director. Ms. Henley is well suited for this role due to her strong institutional knowledge and established relationships with campus and community partners.

We request that this matter be added to the next scheduled Personnel subcommittee agenda for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Laura Clark  
UACCHT Interim Chancellor

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The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Governor  
State Capitol  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Governor Sanders:

On behalf of the University of Arkansas Community College at Hope Texarkana (UAHT), and in accordance with ACA 21-1-402, I am requesting your approval to employ Dolly Henley in a temporary part-time capacity as UAHT's Interim Director of Hempstead Hall. Ms. Henley is currently serving her first term in the Arkansas House of Representatives, representing District 88. Ms. Henley previously held this director position prior to her retirement. She is well suited for this role due to her strong institutional knowledge and established relationships with campus and community partners.

We request your favorable consideration of our request. We understand this matter requires consideration by the ALC-Personnel Subcommittee and the Arkansas Legislative Council.

Respectfully,

Laura Clark  
UACCHT Interim Chancellor

Approved:

Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders

January 6, 2026

Date

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The Honorable Ben Gilmore, Senate Chair, Arkansas Legislative Council  
The Honorable Breanne Davis, Senate Chair, ALC-Personnel Subcommittee  
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