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SENATE RESOLUTION

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE
OF ARKANSAS:

WHEREAS, the Arkansas School for Mathematics and Sciences was
established in 1991 by Act 259 and became known as the Arkansas School for
Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts in 2003 by Act 1305; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts
opened its doors to the first students in 1993; and

WHEREAS, The Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts
is one of only sixteen (16) residential public high schools specializing in
advanced mathematics and science instruction in the country; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences,

and the Arts is to educate the gifted and talented math, science, and fine and performing arts students in the state and to develop curricula and materials to improve instruction in mathematics, sciences, and the fine and performing arts for all students in the state; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts currently has students attending from fifty-nine (59) of the seventy-five (75) Arkansas counties, with seventy-three (73) counties represented over the past five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, The Daily Beast, a leading online news site, recognized the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts as one of the top high schools in the nation in August of 2014; and

WHEREAS, Several factors are used to rank and compare schools, including graduation rates, college acceptance rates, college-level course offerings and exams, percentage of students eligible for free or reduced lunch, and scores on college placement exams; and

WHEREAS, The Daily Beast also ranked the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts number five (5) on the list of twenty-five (25) best high schools in the South and number one (1) in the state of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, this national recognition is a positive reflection of the hard work of educators and administrators across Arkansas, including the preparation and experiences the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts students received in their home districts,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate of the Ninetieth General Assembly congratulates the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts for its ranking of number ten (10) in the country in The Daily Beast's 2014 survey of "America's

Top High Schools”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a certified copy of this resolution be presented to Corey Alderdice, the Director of the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts.