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## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

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WHEREAS, there are 113,717 Americans who need a lifesaving organ transplant, according to the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network, and

WHEREAS, there are currently more than 290 Arkansans on the National Organ Transplant Waiting List; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 2,000 children under the age of 18 on the National Organ Transplant Waiting List; and

WHEREAS, every 10 minutes, someone is added to the National Organ Transplant Waiting List; and

WHEREAS, on average, 20 people die each day waiting for an organ transplant; and



WHEREAS, 1 organ donor can save up to 8 lives; and

WHEREAS, the ability to transplant organs is one of the greatest success stories in modern medicine; and

WHEREAS, a person can sign up to be an organ donor when receiving or renewing a driver's license,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the House of Representatives recognize that organ donation is a selfless and generous gift that can save lives, support increased organ donation education, and encourage people of all ages to consider becoming organ donors.