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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the National Parent Teacher Association ("National PTA") was founded on February 17, 1897, by Alice McLellan Birney and Phoebe Apperson Hearst; and

WHEREAS, the National PTA's National Standards for Family-School Partnerships were developed to reflect the most recent research about how parents, schools, and communities can work together to support student success; and

WHEREAS, research shows that students with engaged parents are more likely to earn higher scores in school and go on to a postsecondary education; and

WHEREAS, the National PTA is keenly aware of the important role family-school partnerships play in children's reaching of their full potential; and

WHEREAS, expanded and enhanced family engagement in schools across the country helps parents build positive relationships with school staff, connect with other families in the school environment, and enrich the educational experience and overall well-being for all students; and



WHEREAS, parent-teacher association units in Arkansas continue to work collaboratively with the administration, superintendents, principals, teachers, and staff on goals that support the original intent of the National PTA's founders; and

WHEREAS, family-school connections are fostered by focusing on issues that are important to both schools and families,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate proclaims Friday, January 25, 2019, as "Arkansas PTA Day" and acknowledges the collaborative efforts of all parent-teacher association units across the state to empower families in our communities to support student success and work for school improvement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to Ms. Shelly Anderson, the President of the Arkansas PTA, by the Secretary of the Senate.