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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, in order to keep the public apprised of the development of the current coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic and the response of the state to the pandemic, Governor Asa Hutchinson has held press conferences on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Eddie Schmeckenbecher served as the Governor's interpreter for most of these press conferences, making it possible for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing to learn the information being presented; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Schmeckenbecher showcased to all of Arkansas the use of one (1) of the top five (5) most used languages in this country, American Sign Language; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Schmeckenbecher has an easy smile, owns a vast wardrobe of colorful ties, and uses expressiveness in his American Sign Language, all of which combined to create interest in learning American Sign Language across the state, making Mr. Schmeckenbecher an Arkansas favorite son,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives commend Mr. Eddie Schmeckenbecher on



his expressive use of American Sign Language throughout the coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic and thank him for his commitment to Arkansas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, a copy shall be transmitted to Mr. Schmeckenbecher by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.