

By: Representative R. Scott Richardson

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, in 1973, James Shields and Tom Pace formed Shields & Pace, a practice for subdivisions and surveys and in their first decade of service, they worked out of the old Benton County jail, secured a large power plant project, and obtained their first job to provide services to Walmart; and

WHEREAS, Shields & Pace was renamed CEI Engineering Associates in 1984 to reflect the firm's focus on civil engineering and environmental and industrial engineering services and expanded their services to civil engineering, land surveying, landscape architecture, program management, and urban and land planning; and

WHEREAS, with deep roots, an unfailing commitment to growth and community support, and being wholly dedicated to a standard of excellence, CEI Engineering Associates has grown to a full-service professional firm with more than one hundred seventy (170) associates across the country; and

WHEREAS, with the goal to create a unique sense of place that combines nature, culture, and engineering with careful stewardship, detailed planning, and creative incorporation of our natural environment, CEI Engineering Associates became an integral part of the Northwest Arkansas community by



embracing a passion for connecting people and communities; and

WHEREAS, CEI Engineering Associates is honored to have provided services for notable projects such as Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Northwest Arkansas National Airport, connections in the Razorback Greenway, the initial development of the Pinnacle corridor and Promenade's Retail options, numerous Fortune 500 Company Corporate offices, and most recently the upcoming new Walmart Home Office; and

WHEREAS, over the years, CEI Engineering Associates has developed and acquired experts that serve the fueling and convenience, parks and trails, public works, restaurants, retail, and sports facilities industries; and

WHEREAS, from aiding in Walmart's phenomenal national growth to master planning favorite local trails to designing football fields for Friday night games, CEI Engineering Associates is an valued partner with the community; and

WHEREAS, CEI Engineering Associates is proud of fifty (50) years of groundbreaking and dream building and with a profound commitment to blazing the trail ahead, will continue to shape the land and lives for generations to come,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the House of Representatives recognize and celebrate CEI Engineering Associates for its service and contributions to Arkansas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon its adoption, a copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the President of CEI Engineering Associates, Mr. Jeffrey D. Geurian, by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.