

By: Senator Irvin

## SENATE RESOLUTION

TO CELEBRATE STONE COUNTY AND RECOGNIZE ITS 150TH  
ANNIVERSARY.

### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Stone County was created as Arkansas's 73rd county on April 17, 1873; and

WHEREAS, Stone County is located in the Ozark Mountains in Arkansas and the county is named for the rugged and rocky terrain of the Ozarks which is on display through the architecture of the native stone exteriors of the Stone County Courthouse and many buildings on the Square in the county seat of Mountain View; and

WHEREAS, Stone County is home to a part of the Ozark National Forest that includes the Sylamore Shooting range and Blanchard Springs Caverns which hosts tours of the Dripstone Trail, the Discovery Trail, and the Wild Cave Tour, and Blanchard Springs Park which includes the Sylamore creek, Mirror Lake and the cave waterfalls; and

WHEREAS, Stone County is a destination for world record trout fishing in the White River, kayaking and small mouth bass fishing in the crystal clear waters of the Sylamore Creek, and world class mountain biking on the epic Syllamo Mountain Bike Trail; and

WHEREAS, Stone County is known as "The Folk Music Capitol of the World"



due to nightly musicians who perform on the Square, the annual Arkansas Folk Festival that happens every April since 1963, and the Ozark Folk Center which preserves and interprets Ozark cultural heritage including traditional mountain folk music and crafts, and supports the only public school based, traditional instrument music program in the state, The Music Roots Program; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of the 150th anniversary of Stone County is being spearheaded by the Stone County Historical Society, the Stone County Leader newspaper, and a committee of community members; and

WHEREAS, the slogan for the 150th anniversary of Stone County is “Rock Solid at 150 – Foundation for Our Future” and the slogan represents the committee’s goal of celebrating the rich heritage of Stone County and making an impact for years to come by helping fund youth-oriented services of Stone County Community Center; and

WHEREAS, it is important not only to celebrate the history of Stone County, but to plan for the future of Stone County,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the Senate recognize and celebrate the 150th anniversary of Stone County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution shall be provided to County Judge Stacey Avey by the Secretary of the Senate.