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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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AND TO REQUIRE ALL STATE AGENCIES TO USE THE TERM  
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### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, the Gulf of Mexico is a vital body of water that supports economic, environmental, and cultural activities directly benefitting the United States, including the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf of Mexico serves as an important hub for American energy production, trade, and tourism; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arkansas has strong economic ties to industries relying on the Gulf of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, renaming the Gulf of Mexico the "Gulf of America" would reinforce the role it plays in supporting the prosperity and security of the United States; and

WHEREAS, designating this body of water as the "Gulf of America" aligns with the patriotic values of the State of Arkansas and acknowledges the contributions of American industries, workers, and resources tied to the Gulf



of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, state agencies should reflect the "Gulf of America" terminology in all maps, documents, educational materials, and official communications to promote consistency and awareness of the gulf's importance to the United States,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the Gulf of Mexico shall be referred to as the "Gulf of America" in all official state maps, documents, educational materials, and communications prepared by state agencies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the House of Representatives encourage the United States Government and other states to adopt the term "Gulf of America" in recognition of the importance of this body of water to the United States.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT state agencies are directed to update official state maps, documents, educational materials, and communications under their jurisdiction, including without limitation websites, to reflect the name change where practicable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives shall provide a copy of this resolution to the Governor, the Department of Education, and all other relevant state agencies for immediate implementation and action.