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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE JANUARY 23, 2025, AS MATERNAL HEALTH  
AWARENESS DAY IN ARKANSAS.

### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, healthier moms mean healthier pregnancies and healthier babies, and the key to improving maternal health in Arkansas is addressing women's overall health; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas faces significant maternal health challenges, with nearly ten thousand (10,000) pregnant women delaying prenatal care each year until after the first trimester, and over one thousand one hundred (1,100) pregnant women waiting to seek care until labor begins; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders and members of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly have demonstrated unwavering leadership in addressing these challenges; and

WHEREAS, these efforts include launching pilot programs in underserved counties, enhancing prenatal and postpartum care access, expanding evidence-based healthcare practices, and prioritizing maternal health education and outreach; and

WHEREAS, aligning with the national Maternal Health Awareness Day,



January 23, 2025, provides an opportunity to amplify Arkansas's commitment to improving maternal health, supporting mothers, and protecting babies through statewide collaboration and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, recognizing Maternal Health Awareness Day honors the progress being made and encourages all Arkansans to support initiatives that ensure healthier outcomes for mothers, infants, and families,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the House of Representatives recognize Thursday, January 23, 2025, as Maternal Health Awareness Day in Arkansas.