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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, the Department of Education has partnered with Heartland Forward and the rootEd Alliance to improve postsecondary outcomes for students in rural communities by placing dedicated college and career advisors in high schools to provide critical guidance and support; and

WHEREAS, rootEd has made a significant impact in Arkansas by working to grow the talent pipeline by increasing college enrollment, workforce readiness, and educational attainment, helping thousands of students across the state access higher education and career opportunities; and

WHEREAS, rootEd advisors are dedicated supporters working to ensure students, particularly those in underserved rural areas, have the necessary resources, mentorship, and guidance to pursue and complete postsecondary education; and

WHEREAS, rootEd works to advance and grow the Arkansas economy and is a valuable initiative working to offer access to a wide variety of jobs in



health care, construction, manufacturing, supply chain, education, high-speed internet infrastructure, and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the success of rootEd Arkansas is made possible through the collaboration of public and private partners including school districts, state agencies, and nonprofit organizations, all committed to strengthening Arkansas's workforce and economic future; and

WHEREAS, celebrating rootEd Day on March 19, 2025, recognizes the invaluable contributions of rootEd advisors, highlights the achievements of Arkansas students, and promotes continued investment in education and workforce development initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives acknowledges the importance of increasing access to education and career pathways for all Arkansans, particularly in rural communities,

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 March 19, 2025, as rootEd Day in Arkansas to honor the dedication of rootEd advisors, celebrate student success, and emphasize the need for continued efforts to expand educational and career opportunities statewide.