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SENATE RESOLUTION

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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens, a distinguished businessman, philanthropist, and native of Arkansas, has been nominated by the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, to serve as the Ambassador to the Court of St. James's; and

WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens demonstrated exemplary leadership as Chairman, President, and CEO of Stephens Inc., one of the nation's largest privately held investment banking firms, which has played a significant role in the economic development of Arkansas and the nation; and

WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens has been recognized for his outstanding achievements in business and leadership by being inducted into the Arkansas Business Hall of Fame, further solidifying his legacy as one of the state's most influential business leaders; and

WHEREAS, his extensive experience in finance, business, and international affairs has well prepared him to strengthen diplomatic and economic ties between the United States and the United Kingdom; and



WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens has been a dedicated philanthropist, supporting education, healthcare, the arts, and numerous charitable causes in Arkansas and beyond, reflecting his commitment to public service and the betterment of society; and

WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens and his wife, Harriet, were instrumental in the founding of Episcopal Collegiate School in Little Rock, where he serves as chair of the Episcopal Collegiate School Foundation, demonstrating his commitment to providing high-quality education for future generations of Arkansans; and

WHEREAS, through Warren A. Stephens' philanthropic support, Episcopal Collegiate School has been able to provide scholarships, enhance its academic programs, and develop state-of-the-art facilities that benefit students and faculty alike; and

WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens' dedication to education extends beyond Episcopal Collegiate School, as evidenced by his advocacy for economic education through organizations such as Economics Arkansas and his public efforts to promote a deeper understanding of the free enterprise system; and

WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens has played a pivotal role in the renovation of the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, serving as chairman of the board and co-chairing its capital campaign alongside his wife, Harriet, ensuring the museum's expansion and long-term success as a cultural cornerstone in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens has been instrumental in the restoration and preservation of the historic Capital Hotel in downtown Little Rock, revitalizing an iconic landmark that continues to serve as a hub for business, tourism, and the local community; and

WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens has maintained strong professional and personal ties to the United Kingdom through his leadership at Stephens Inc., which has expanded its presence in London, demonstrating his commitment to

fostering international business and economic relationships; and

WHEREAS, Warren A. Stephens' nomination as the Ambassador to the Court of St. James's is a testament to his outstanding contributions to both the business community and the State of Arkansas, as well as his ability to represent the interests of the United States on the global stage; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Leslie Rutledge said of Warren A. Stephens, "Throughout his career, Warren has championed economic growth, in Arkansas and beyond, and demonstrated an unwavering commitment to service. His lifelong dedication to diplomacy, philanthropy, and free enterprise will undoubtedly serve America well as he fosters the enduring relationship between the United States and one of our most important allies. I can think of no one better suited for this prestigious appointment"; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders said of Warren A. Stephens, "Warren and his family aren't just great friends; they built an amazing company driving our economy in Little Rock and across the world, while being selfless philanthropists in our community. Now as the the Ambassador to the Court of St. James's, Warren will serve our country just like he has served Arkansas and further strengthen the Special Relationship between the United States and United Kingdom"; and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives recognizes and commends Warren A. Stephens for this prestigious appointment and expresses confidence that he will serve with distinction and integrity,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the Senate honor Warren A. Stephens for his nomination as Ambassador to the Court of St. James's, commend his remarkable achievements, and express its best wishes for his success in this important diplomatic role.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Senate support the nomination of Warren A. Stephens as the Ambassador to the Court of St. James's and urge his swift confirmation to advance the enduring partnership between the United States and the United Kingdom.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the President of the United States, members of the United States Senate, and relevant government agencies urging them to support this nomination.