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SENATE RESOLUTION

TO COMMEMORATE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVANTS AND TO
OBSERVE PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK FROM MAY 3
THROUGH 9, 2026.

Subtitle

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AND TO OBSERVE PUBLIC SERVICE
RECOGNITION WEEK FROM MAY 3 THROUGH 9,
2026.

WHEREAS, the week of May 3 through May 9, 2026, has been designated as Public Service Recognition Week to honor employees of the federal government and state and local governments and members of the uniformed services who are entrusted with missions fundamental to the United States and deliver services upon which Americans depend; and

WHEREAS, twenty-one thousand (21,000) federal government employees, seventy thousand (70,000) state government employees, and one hundred fourteen thousand (114,000) local government employees serve the public in every county and city across the state of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, public servants make substantial contributions to Arkansas communities through teaching children and adults, protecting life and property, improving health, licensing businesses and professionals, building infrastructure, running elections, supporting families, managing natural resources and public lands, developing the workforce and the economy, and enforcing laws and regulations that undergird private-sector growth, protect



consumers, and sustain the conditions for a competitive and innovative marketplace; and

WHEREAS, public servants are critical to protecting the safety and security of Arkansans, working every day, often at great personal risk, to prevent harm, respond to crises and safeguard the lives and well-being of the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, public service is a noble calling involving a variety of challenging and rewarding professions, and highly skilled and trained individuals offer their knowledge, effort, and expertise in support of the public good,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the Senate:

(1) Commend the dedication, professionalism, and patriotism of the public servants of the State of Arkansas who deliver essential services to the people of Arkansas;

(2) Recognize the indispensable role of public servants in strengthening the Arkansas economy, protecting the safety and security of the public, safeguarding individual rights, and sustaining the foundations of democratic self-governance;

(3) Honor the contributions of all public servants during Public Service Recognition Week, May 3 through May 9, 2026, and throughout the year; and

(4) Call upon the people of the state of Arkansas to honor and acknowledge the service of those who work on their behalf.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be provided to the leadership of the Arkansas Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration by the Secretary of Senate.