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PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME - GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Flooding and flash flooding is a leading cause of weather-related damage across the nation and throughout Arkansas, resulting in loss of life and causing damage to homes, businesses, and farmland. Flood Safety Awareness Week creates an important opportunity for every resident of Arkansas to prepare their homes, places of business, and communities for flooding;

WHEREAS: Investing in our own preparedness, and that of our families, businesses, and hometowns, can reduce fatalities and economic devastation in our communities and in our nation;

WHEREAS: The National Weather Service, the Arkansas Division of Emergency Management, the Arkansas Natural Resources Division, and the Arkansas Floodplain Management Association, along with other federal, state, local, private, and volunteer agencies, are working to increase public activities in preparing for flooding and educating individuals on where to find information and how to take action; and

WHEREAS: Planning and preparing are the initial keys to reducing loss of life and property. All Arkansans are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of every type.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim March 25-29, 2024, as

"ARKANSAS FLOOD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK"

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 6th day of March, in the year of our Lord 2024.

Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Governor

