

1 State of Arkansas  
2 94th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2023  
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5 By: Representative Jean  
6 By: Senator Hickey  
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HCR 1008

8 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

9 TO RECOGNIZE FOUKE HIGH SCHOOL AND THE FOUKE HIGH  
10 SCHOOL PANTHER MARCHING BAND FOR WINNING FIVE  
11 CONSECUTIVE CLASS 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS AND TO  
12 RECOGNIZE THE FOUKE HIGH SCHOOL AND PAULETTE SMITH  
13 MIDDLE SCHOOL CONCERT BANDS FOR BEING NAMED 2022  
14 CLASS 3A STATE HONOR BANDS.  
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17 **Subtitle**

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22 MIDDLE SCHOOL CONCERT BANDS FOR BEING  
23 NAMED 2022 CLASS 3A STATE HONOR BANDS.  
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25 WHEREAS, on November 1, 2022, the Fouke High School Panther Marching  
26 Band won the Class 3A State Marching Championship; and  
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28 WHEREAS, with this latest championship, the Fouke High School Panther  
29 Marching Band has won the Class 3A State Marching Championships for five (5)  
30 consecutive years; and  
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32 WHEREAS, on August 30, 2021, the Fouke High School and Paulette Smith  
33 Middle School Concert bands were named as the 2022 Class 3A State Honor  
34 Bands by the Arkansas School Band and Orchestra Association; and  
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36 WHEREAS, on February 17, 2022, Fouke High School and Paulette Smith



1 Middle School State Honor bands performed at the 2022 All-State Music  
2 Conference at the Hot Springs Convention Center; and

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4 WHEREAS, the total amount of music performance scholarships awarded to  
5 members of the Fouke High School Panther Band over the pasts five (5) years  
6 is two hundred sixty-six thousand dollars (\$266,000); and

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8 WHEREAS, the Fouke High School Panther Marching Band and the Fouke  
9 High School Panther Honor Band are under the direction of Mr. Don Colquitt;  
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12 WHEREAS, the Paulette Smith Middle School State Honor Band is under  
13 the direction of Mrs. Kara Compton; and

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15 WHEREAS, the Fouke School District is a small, rural Arkansas public  
16 school district; and

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18 WHEREAS, the Fouke School District demographic is comprised of a sixty  
19 percent (60%) Free and Reduced Lunch Program under the National School Lunch  
20 Act; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Fouke community voted to extend the current school  
23 millage rate in order to raise revenue to construct a performing arts center  
24 for the school district's successful fine arts programs,

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26 NOW THEREFORE,

27 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL  
28 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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30 THAT the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, recognize  
31 the Fouke High School and the Fouke High School Panther Marching Band for  
32 winning five (5) consecutive Class 3A State Championships and recognize the  
33 Fouke High School and Paulette Smith Middle School concert bands for being  
34 named the 2022 Class 3A State Honor Band.

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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution shall be

1 provided to Mr. Don Colquitt and Mrs. Kara Compton by the Chief Clerk of the  
2 House of Representatives.

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