

1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2023

HCR 1013

4
5 By: Representative Rose
6 By: Senator J. Petty

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8 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

9 TO COMMEND THE VAN BUREN HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND.

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12 **Subtitle**

13 TO COMMEND THE VAN BUREN HIGH SCHOOL
14 MARCHING BAND.

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

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20 WHEREAS, on October 31, 2022, the Van Buren High School Marching Band
21 was declared the Class 6A State Champion Concert Band by the Arkansas School
22 Band and Orchestra Association; and

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24 WHEREAS, the Van Buren High School Marching Band is led by Director Ron
25 Smith; and

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27 WHEREAS, this championship by the Van Buren High School Marching Band
28 is the fifth state title in the past six (6) years; and

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30 WHEREAS, the Van Buren High School Marching Band's many accomplishments
31 this past season include: Northwest Arkansas Invitational Marching
32 Championship Overall Grand Champion; Class "C" Champion; Outstanding Visual
33 Effect; Outstanding Music Effect; Outstanding General Effect; Outstanding
34 Color Guard and Outstanding Field Conductors; Branson Invitational Marching
35 Championship Overall Grand Champion; Class "D" Champion; Outstanding Music
36 Effect; Outstanding Visual Effect; and Outstanding Color Guard; and the



1 Arkansas Region VIII Marching Championship with a unanimous superior rating;
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4 WHEREAS, the Van Buren High School Marching Band's continued
5 strengthening and growing in statewide prominence serves to highlight the
6 great things happening in the arts community in Northwest Arkansas and also
7 provides students with unmatched opportunities to compete and learn; and

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9 WHEREAS, the accolades extend beyond the championship for the Van Buren
10 High School Marching Band with sixty-eight (68) team members qualifying for
11 the Region VIII All-Conference Band and forty (40) of those team members
12 qualifying to try-out for the Arkansas All-State Band; and

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14 WHEREAS, the following team members of the Van Buren High School
15 Marching Band were named as First Band, First Chair All-Conference: Morgan
16 Gurule – flute; Daxton Arnold – bassoon; Clay Harris – tenor saxophone;
17 Alejandro Sanchez – bari saxophone; Logan Parnell – tenor trombone; and Bryan
18 Ramos – contra clarinet; and

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20 WHEREAS, the success of the Van Buren High School Marching Band led to
21 an invitation for the band to play at the Walt Disney World fiftieth
22 anniversary celebration; and

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24 WHEREAS, the many accomplishments of the Van Buren High School Marching
25 Band program are testaments to the commitment to excellence Director Ron
26 Smith requires from students in a way that yields admiration for their
27 director and forges lasting bonds among the band members,

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29 NOW THEREFORE,

30 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
31 ASSEMBLY, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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33 THAT the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring, commend
34 the Van Buren High School Marching Band for its 2022 Class 6A State
35 Championship, caliber of performance, high standards, students, and director.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, a copy shall be
2 transmitted to Director Ron Smith by the Chief Clerk of the House of
3 Representatives.

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