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7 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

8 CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS
9 BEARS FOOTBALL TEAM FOR AN OUTSTANDING 2012 SEASON
10 AND FOR CONTINUING EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS.

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13 **Subtitle**

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20 WHEREAS, the University of Central Arkansas Bears finished their 2012
21 season as co-champions of the Southland Conference; and

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23 WHEREAS, the University of Central Arkansas Bears reached the 2nd round
24 of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Football
25 Championship Series in 2012 for the second consecutive year; and

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27 WHEREAS, in 2012, the University of Central Arkansas Bears finished
28 10th in the final Football Championship Series' national poll by The Sports
29 Network, the highest since moving to Division I in 2006; and

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31 WHEREAS, forty-six (46) players for the University of Central Arkansas
32 Bears were named to the Southland Conference Academic Honor Roll for the Fall
33 of 2012, and the Bears maintained the highest Academic Progress Rate in the
34 Southland Conference for the second consecutive year, the highest in the
35 State of Arkansas; and



1 WHEREAS, Head Coach Clint Conque was named the 2012 Southland
2 Conference Coach of the Year and finished 8th in the voting for the 2012
3 Eddie Robinson Award, given to the top coach at the NCAA Football
4 Championship Series level; and

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6 WHEREAS, Junior Quarterback Wynrick Smothers finished 11th in the
7 voting for the 2012 Walter Payton Award for the outstanding player at the
8 Football Championship Series level, was named the Southland Conference
9 Offensive Player of the Year, and was a first-team All-Southland Conference
10 selection after leading the Bears to a 9-3 record and a Southland Conference
11 co-championship in the 2012 season; and

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13 WHEREAS, Corey Howard was named the 2012 Southland Conference Offensive
14 Lineman of the Year and Jonathan Woodard the 2012 Southland Conference
15 Freshman of the Year; and

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17 WHEREAS, the University of Central Arkansas Bears football team is
18 comprised of a group of talented, hard-working, and high-achieving
19 individuals who proudly represented the university on the field and in the
20 classroom,

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22 NOW, THEREFORE,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE FOR THE EIGHTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
24 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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26 THAT the Senate congratulates the University of Central Arkansas Bears
27 for an excellent season and for their continued outstanding academic
28 accomplishments.

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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon its adoption a copy of this resolution be
31 presented to the University of Central Arkansas Bears football team and the
32 President and the Athletic Director of the University of Central Arkansas.