

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, more than 14,000 Arkansans exhibit profound courage and selflessness by serving in the armed forces; and

WHEREAS, more than 5,200 military children attend public school in the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, military families live and work in every county in the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, military children face unique challenges related to military transitions and parental deployment; and

WHEREAS, military children and their families serve as an essential source of support and encouragement for armed service members; and

WHEREAS, military children should be acknowledged for the sacrifices they make and celebrated for the courage they display as the children of our nation's armed service members; and

WHEREAS, the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission, of which Arkansas is a proud member, the Department of Defense, and various other organizations nationwide recognize April as the Month of the Military Child;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Arkansas State Board of Education recognizes and salutes military children by recognizing the month of April 2021, as the Month of the Military Child and April 16, 2021 as Purple Up! Day.

Chair of the State Board of Education

Date