



A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MILITARY FAMILIES

WHEREAS, more than 9,000 Arkansans exhibit profound courage and selflessness by serving in the armed forces; and

WHEREAS, more than 3,500 military children attend public school in the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, Fort Smith is home to a large number of military families due to its close proximity to the 188th Wing, Arkansas Air National Guard and the Fort Chaffee Joint Maneuver Training Center;

WHEREAS, over 200 military children attend school in the Fort Smith School District; 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;

WHEREAS, the Fort Smith Public School District is committed to meeting the unique needs of all students, especially those of military youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fort Smith School District Board of Education recognizes and salutes military children and expresses its support for military children and families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fort Smith School District will make every effort to connect military families with the resources they need.

PASSED this 24th day of January, 2022

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CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the above District, certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Board at a regular (regular or special) meeting of the Board held on the 24th day of January, 2022. The Resolution appears in the official minutes of the meeting which are in my custody. At the time of the meeting the duly elected (or appointed), qualified and serving members of the Board and their respective votes on the adoption of the Resolution were as follows:

| <u>Director</u> | <u>Vote</u> <u>(Aye, Nay, Abstain or Absent)</u> |
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I further certify that the meeting of the Board was duly convened and held in all respects according to law; that to the extent required by law due and proper notice of the meeting was given to the members of the Board and to the public; that the meeting was open to the public; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting; that all other requirements and proceedings under the law incident to the proper adoption and passage of the Resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed; and that I am authorized to execute this Certificate.

CERTIFIED under my hand and seal of the District this _____ day of January, 2022.

(SEAL)

Secretary