

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Senator Scott**

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7 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

8 COMMENDING MRS. MAGALEN O. BRYANT FOR HER COMMITMENT TO
9 THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNIFIED LAND USE PROGRAM WHEREBY
10 ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LANDS CAN BE PRESERVED WITHOUT
11 SERIOUSLY DIMINISHING THE ECONOMIC PRODUCTIVITY OF SUCH
12 LANDS.

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14 WHEREAS, the people of the state of Arkansas are increasingly realizing
15 that environmental consciousness must go hand in hand with economic
16 development; and

17 WHEREAS, the wise, productive, and reverent use of land is an
18 indispensable part of sound economic and environmental policy; and

19 WHEREAS, Mrs. Magalen O. Bryant, a distinguished citizen of our
20 neighboring state of Mississippi, well known to many Arkansans, is by her life
21 and example showing the way towards a unified land-use approach combining both
22 economic productivity and environmental sensitivity; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bryant owns and manages extensive farm properties and
24 wetlands in Mississippi and Louisiana, including the beautiful farm and
25 wildlife refuge known as Tara on the Mississippi River; has donated thousands
26 of acres and much time and treasure to promote the protection of valuable
27 natural resources; pioneered the use of donated perpetual easements as an
28 environmental-management tool; led the creation of the Delta Environmental
29 Land Trust Association, known as DELTA, as a vehicle for the receipt and
30 management of these easements; and is devoting her life to action, education,
31 and persuasion in support of this cause,

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33 NOW THEREFORE,

34 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
35 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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That the Arkansas General Assembly hereby heartily commends Mrs. Magalen O. Bryant as an exemplar of the fundamental truth that action by private citizens in their individual capacities is essential to the realization of any sound public policy, and that government of whatever level, important though it is, can never do the whole job -- an exemplar whom we hold up to our fellow citizens of Arkansas as worthy of praise and imitation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this document, appropriately signed, attested, and sealed, shall be presented to Mrs. Magalen O. Bryant as a sign of our respect, admiration and affection.

