

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Senator Scott**

A Bill

SENATE BILL 52

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE CITY OF LAKE VILLAGE IN CHICOT
9 COUNTY AS THE *SOUTHEAST* PURPLE MARTIN CAPITAL OF THE STATE
10 OF ARKANSAS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE CITY OF LAKE VILLAGE AS THE
15 *SOUTHEAST* PURPLE MARTIN CAPITAL OF ARKANSAS."

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

19 SECTION 1. Since the purple martin, a bird known for its appetite for
20 flying insects, is deemed by most as an attractive asset for its appearance,
21 song, cleanliness, and diet (America's Most Wanted Bird) and since the city of
22 Lake Village in Chicot County, of southeastern Arkansas is located along the
23 North-South Flyway, the major migration route for millions of birds, the city
24 of Lake Village in Chicot County, Arkansas, shall be designated by the
25 Arkansas General Assembly to be known as the *Southeast Purple Martin Capital*
26 of the State of Arkansas.

28 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
29 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
30 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

32 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
33 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
34 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
35 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this

1 act are declared to be severable.

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3 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
4 hereby repealed.

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6 SECTION 5. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the
7 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the purple martin
8 is a bird known for its hearty appetite for mosquitoes and other flying
9 insects and is deemed an attractive asset because of its appearance, song,
10 cleanliness, and diet, and that the city of Lake Village in southeastern
11 Arkansas is located along the North-South Flyway where millions of birds
12 migrate annually, and that designating the city of Lake Village as the
13 *Southeast Purple Martin Capital of Arkansas* will economically benefit the area
14 by attracting tourists to the area and by gaining it recognition as a prime
15 birding hotspot. Therefore, in order to economically aid the city of Lake
16 Village, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this act being
17 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and
18 safety, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and
19 approval.

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/s/ Senator Scott

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