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5 By: Representative Elliott
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8 HOUSE RESOLUTION

9 ENCOURAGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LIVER
10 TRANSPLANT PROGRAM AT THE STATE'S ONLY TEACHING
11 HOSPITAL, THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL
12 SCIENCES.

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17 ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES.
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20 WHEREAS, the state of Arkansas currently has no liver transplant program
21 available to its citizens; and
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23 WHEREAS, the citizens of Arkansas must travel outside the state and
24 incur the expense of travel, meals, and lodging for extended periods of time
25 if they require a liver transplant; and
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27 WHEREAS, a liver transplant program at the state's teaching hospital
28 can provide state-of-the-art health care for all citizens of the state; and
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30 WHEREAS, the establishment of such a program provides opportunities for
31 training of future specialists, most of whom will stay in the state to
32 practice; and
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34 WHEREAS, our citizens covered by Medicare currently must travel to
35 another state for a liver transplant and Arkansas Medicare dollars are
36 expended in that state to cover the cost of the transplant,



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NOW THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS,

That the House of Representatives encourages the University of Arkansas
for Medical Sciences to establish and develop a nationally recognized program
for liver transplants.