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5 By: Senators Lavery, Wilkinson, Womack
6 By: Representatives Norton, Davenport, Jackson

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9 **SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL**
10 **RESOLUTION**

11 IN RESPECTFUL MEMORY OF MR. WILLIAM BROWNING KING
12 GLADDEN AND IN RECOGNITION OF HIS MANY
13 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND HIS
14 LOCAL COMMUNITY.

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16 **Subtitle**

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18 BROWNING KING GLADDEN AND IN RECOGNITION
19 OF HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE
20 OF ARKANSAS AND HIS LOCAL COMMUNITY.

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23 WHEREAS, Mr. King Gladden, of Eureka Springs, Arkansas, died on
24 Wednesday, January 12, 2004, at the age of fifty (50) years; and

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26 WHEREAS, Mr. Gladden was born in Harrison, Arkansas, to the late Dr.
27 Jean C. Gladden and Dee King Gladden Mulvihill; and

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29 WHEREAS, Mr. Gladden held a graduate degree in banking from the
30 Southwest School of Banking, Southern Methodist University, and a Bachelor of
31 Science in Business Administration from Regis University, Denver; and

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33 WHEREAS, Mr. Gladden was the founding Chairman and Chief Executive
34 Officer of Community First Bank at the time of his death, and began his
35 involvement with banking over twenty-three (23) years ago; and

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1 WHEREAS, Mr. Gladden served as Executive Vice President and as a member
2 of the Board of Directors of First National Bank of Rogers; and served as
3 Chairman of First Eureka Springs Bank and First Arvest Bank of Carroll
4 County; and

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6 WHEREAS, Mr. Gladden served the Bank of Eureka Springs for nine (9)
7 years, beginning as Assistant Vice-President and serving as President and
8 Chief Executive Officer from 1990-1993; and in 1993, joined Arvest Bank
9 Group; and

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11 WHEREAS, Mr. Gladden was active in many community projects throughout
12 Northwest Arkansas and the state, including, Campaign for the 21st Century at
13 the University of Arkansas, the board of NARTI, and the College of Medicine
14 Admissions Committee at UAMS; and

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16 WHEREAS, Mr. Gladden is survived by his wife, Grace; son, Will; and
17 daughter, Crystal; and

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19 WHEREAS, the Senate of the Eighty-fifth General Assembly of the State
20 of Arkansas wishes to publicly recognize Mr. Gladden's contributions to the
21 State of Arkansas and his local community,

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23 NOW THEREFORE,

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
25 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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27 THAT the Senate recognizes Mr. King Gladden's commitment, hard work,
28 dedication, and service to the State of Arkansas and his local community and
29 commends him for his leadership.

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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the individual members of the Senate hereby
32 express sincere condolences to the family of Mr. King Gladden and, upon
33 adoption of this resolution, an appropriate copy shall be provided to the
34 family of Mr. Gladden by the Senate.