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HR 1020

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 TO RECOGNIZE ARKANSAS PHARMACISTS AND THEIR  
9 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE.

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12 **Subtitle**

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14 THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE.

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16 WHEREAS, pharmacists are key members of our health care system and  
17 serve an integral role as medication experts; and

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19 WHEREAS, pharmacists are the most accessible health care professionals  
20 and provide services beyond dispensing medications, including administering  
21 immunizations; providing patient counseling, medication-therapy management,  
22 and disease-management counseling; and identifying potentially deadly drug  
23 interactions; and

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25 WHEREAS, pharmacists complete an advanced pharmacy degree and receive  
26 continuing education throughout their career; and pharmacists are required to  
27 be licensed by the state, creating expert health care professionals on  
28 medication and effective uses; and

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30 WHEREAS, pharmacists are important health care practitioners in all  
31 segments of the health care marketplace, including independent stores, chain  
32 stores, hospitals, long-term facilities, academia, compounding facilities,  
33 and state and federal government agencies; and

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35 WHEREAS, pharmacists are de facto patient advocates, often resolving  
36 complex issues with insurance companies and helping patients find ways to



1 afford medications; and

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3 WHEREAS, for more than 25 years, pharmacists have been consistently  
4 voted one of the most respected professions in the Gallup Honesty and Ethics  
5 Survey; and

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7 WHEREAS, independent pharmacists are successful small business owners  
8 in the state, contributing billions of dollars to the economy, employing  
9 thousands of Arkansans, and supporting their local communities from schools  
10 to little league teams,

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12 NOW THEREFORE,

13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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16 THAT the House of Representatives celebrate and recognize Arkansas  
17 pharmacists for their unwavering dedication to their patients and their  
18 contribution to the health and well-being of all citizens of the state.

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution shall be  
21 provided to the Arkansas Pharmacy Association by the Chief Clerk of the House  
22 of Representatives.