

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Second Extraordinary Session, 1994**  
4 **By: Senator George Hopkins**

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7 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

8 URGING PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON TO AWARD THE PRESIDENTIAL  
9 MEDAL OF FREEDOM TO MR. BURL IVES.

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11 **Subtitle**

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15 WHEREAS, Mr. Burl Ives has been an American legend for many years and is  
16 probably best known for his wonderful folk ballads, Christmas tunes and  
17 movies; and

18 WHEREAS, the Christmas season would not seem complete without his bright  
19 and cheery voice as the snowman in "Frosty the Snowman" and in "Rudolph the  
20 Red-Nosed Reindeer"; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Ives served in the U.S. Air Force in World War II and  
22 entertained troops in hazardous combat zones; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Ives continued to entertain the troops throughout the  
24 Korean War; and

25 WHEREAS, at the request of the Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Ives  
26 agreed to volunteer to tour the country in the "Johnny Horizon" environmental  
27 programs and beginning in 1974 brought the message of conservation and  
28 environmental concert to the country; and

29 WHEREAS, Mr. Ives voluntarily served at the request of four Presidents,  
30 Nixon, Ford, Carter, and Reagan, on the President\_s Commission on the  
31 Handicapped; and

32 WHEREAS, Mr. Ives has unselfishly given of himself to serve his country  
33 and to better the lives of every American and should be honored for his  
34 achievements and service.

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NOW THEREFORE,  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE  
SEVENTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

That the members of the Senate of the Arkansas General Assembly hereby  
urge President Bill Clinton to award Mr. Burl Ives the Presidential Medal of  
Freedom for his service to his country and the people of our nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to  
send a copy of this Resolution to President Bill Clinton.

