

1 State of Arkansas  
2 80th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 1995  
4 By: Representative Jones

H.C.R. 1021

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7 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

8 RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 23, 1995, AS CAROUSEL DAY.

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10 **Subtitle**

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13 WHEREAS, Friends of the Carousel, Inc. was organized in May, 1991, for  
14 the purpose of saving the Over-the-Jumps, The Arkansas Carousel, which was  
15 produced by the Spillman Engineering Corporation in 1924, and is the only  
16 existing example of an undulating track carousel; and

17 WHEREAS, with the support of Governor Bill Clinton, this historical  
18 landmark that made its first appearance in Arkansas at the 1925 State Fair,  
19 was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1989, and now is  
20 undergoing restoration with plans of returning this unique artform to a new  
21 Entry Plaza of the Little Rock Zoo where Over-the-Jumps, The Arkansas  
22 Carousel, will be housed in an E. Fay Jones designed pavilion; and

23 WHEREAS, Governor Jim Guy Tucker is a great supporter of this project,  
24 and to encourage statewide recognition, he has proclaimed February 23, 1995  
25 as Carousel Day in the state of Arkansas; and

26 WHEREAS, the majority of conservation and consultation concerning the  
27 restoration of the carousel incorporates the work of conservators and  
28 artisans within the state of Arkansas; thereby increasing our pride of place  
29 and commitment to one another; and

30 WHEREAS, the citizens of Arkansas may forever be grateful of the  
31 tremendous support found within our own boundaries to fully restore and  
32 return to operation this one-of-a-kind artform that has been a part of  
33 Arkansas\_ heritage for the past seventy years;

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1 NOW THEREFORE,  
2 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTIETH GENERAL  
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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5         That February 23, 1995, is hereby recognized as Carousel Day in  
6 recognition of the contributions and efforts of all Arkansans in saving Over-  
7 the-Jumps, The Arkansas Carousel; and

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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly supports the continuing  
10 efforts of Friends of the Carousel to preserve this historical landmark.

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