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5 By: Senator Baker  
6 By: Representatives Wills, Pickett, Hawkins, S. Prater

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9 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

10 RECOGNIZING THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS ON  
11 THE OBSERVANCE OF ITS ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY  
12 AND ITS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATION.

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14 **Subtitle**

15 RECOGNIZING THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL  
16 ARKANSAS ON ITS ONE HUNDREDTH  
17 ANNIVERSARY AND ITS OUTSTANDING  
18 LEADERSHIP.

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21 WHEREAS, the passage of Act 317 of 1907 created the Arkansas State  
22 Normal School in order to improve the education of Arkansans by offering the  
23 two-year degree of Licentiate of Instruction; and

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25 WHEREAS, the name of the Arkansas State Normal School was changed to  
26 Arkansas State Teachers College in 1925 to better describe the institution's  
27 purpose and to recognize its prominent role of providing for the education of  
28 Arkansas teachers; and

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30 WHEREAS, many buildings were built at Arkansas State Teachers College  
31 during the Great Depression and allowed the institution to play a pivotal  
32 role during World War II as it served as a temporary military base while it  
33 continued to function as a college providing education for the citizens of  
34 Arkansas; and

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36 WHEREAS, after World War II Arkansas State Teachers College grew in



1 enrollment, expanded its course offerings, offered graduate degrees in  
2 various fields of study, and experienced a name change in 1967 to State  
3 College of Arkansas; and

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5 WHEREAS, State College of Arkansas was organized along university lines  
6 and was granted university status in 1975, becoming the University of Central  
7 Arkansas; and

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9 WHEREAS, the University of Central Arkansas has recently experienced an  
10 incredible period of growth, becoming the fastest-growing institution of  
11 higher education in the State of Arkansas, offering seventy-seven (77)  
12 undergraduate degrees, thirty-three (33) master's degrees, one (1) education  
13 specialist degree, and four (4) doctoral degrees,

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15 NOW THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
17 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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19 THAT the members of the General Assembly wish to recognize the  
20 University of Central Arkansas on its one hundredth (100<sup>th</sup>) anniversary and  
21 for its outstanding leadership in education.

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