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5 By: Representative Evans
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7 HOUSE RESOLUTION

8 TO CELEBRATE AND RECOGNIZE WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY IN
9 THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.
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11 Subtitle

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13 TO CELEBRATE AND RECOGNIZE WORLD DOWN
14 SYNDROME DAY IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.
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17 WHEREAS, Down Syndrome is a naturally occurring chromosomal arrangement
18 that has always been a part of the human condition, exists in all regions
19 across the globe, and commonly results in variable effects on learning
20 styles, physical characteristics, or health; and
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22 WHEREAS, adequate access to health care, early intervention programs,
23 and inclusive education are vital to the growth and development of
24 individuals with Down Syndrome; and
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26 WHEREAS, it is imperative that we remember the inherent dignity, worth,
27 and valuable contributions of persons with intellectual disabilities and the
28 importance of each person's individual autonomy and independence; and
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30 WHEREAS, the date for World Down Syndrome Day is the twenty-first day
31 of the third month, selected to signify the uniqueness of the triplication of
32 the twenty-first chromosome, which causes Down Syndrome; and
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34 WHEREAS, Down Syndrome is a genetic disorder affecting one (1) in over
35 eight hundred (800) babies, or approximately six thousand (6,000) births per
36 year in the United States; and



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2 WHEREAS, this year marks the eighteenth anniversary of World Down
3 Syndrome Day, which supports individuals with Down Syndrome and those who
4 advocate for them,
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6 NOW THEREFORE,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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10 THAT the House of Representatives celebrate and recognize March 21,
11 2023, as "World Down Syndrome Day" in Arkansas.
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