

1 State of Arkansas
2 95th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2026

HR 1024

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5 By: Representative Puryear

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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 TO RECOGNIZE THE ELKINS HIGH SCHOOL ELKS AS THE 2025
10 CLASS 4A FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONS.

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13 **Subtitle**

14 TO RECOGNIZE THE ELKINS HIGH SCHOOL ELKS
15 AS THE 2025 CLASS 4A FOOTBALL STATE
16 CHAMPIONS.

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18 WHEREAS, the Elkins High School Elks football team won the 2025 Class
19 4A state championship held on December 13, 2025, at War Memorial Stadium in
20 Little Rock, Arkansas; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Elks won the championship game by beating the Dardanelle
23 High School Sand Lizards with a final score of thirty-one (31) points to
24 fourteen (14) points; and

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26 WHEREAS, with their victory in the championship game, the Elks obtained
27 their first ever state championship title in program history; and

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29 WHEREAS, the Elks completed the season with a record of fourteen wins
30 and one loss (14-1); and

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32 WHEREAS, the Elks team members were Brad Walker, Ben Napier, Ki'Onte
33 Martin, Jeb Slaughter, Isaiah Haywood, Connor Hamm, Zander Bowlin, Tate
34 Mortin, Cason Roten, SR Williams, Treyton Whittle, Austin Born, Hunter Smith,
35 Joshua Hamm, Carson Rico, Alex Vecchi, Danny Boyd, Trey Ryan, Jett Johnson,
36 Dominick Morgan, Jake Johnson, Tayte Parkes, Jeremiah Putnam, Dalton Newman,



1 Maverick Fallen, Brayden Walker, Cameron Drummond, Presley Srita, Brooks
2 Williams, Ricardo Flores, Grayson Mixon, Ethan Mortin, Takoda Campbell, Logan
3 Powell, Zaiden Booth, Laken Rogers, Hudson Switzer, Deuce Venable, Kash
4 Smith, Wyatt Bulliard, Chase Baird, Berry Huntley, Cannon Rogers, Parker
5 Wood, Lucas Meyer, Ryder Blanton, Hunter Summers, Hayden Baublits, Caleb
6 Dinkins, Matthew Putnam, Noah Burris, Robert Ortiz, Isaac Meyer, Jake
7 Ketcher, Merrick Nall, Zach Southan, Daxen Muller, Silas Bremhorst, Bentley
8 Denham, Alaki Camacho, Dawson Mallis, Eric Nowlin, Aiden Venable, and Alias
9 Camacho; and

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11 WHEREAS, the Elks managers were Kaden Kunz, Mason Ferguson, Hannah
12 Duling, Kenzie Blundell, Ashton Todd, George Torres, Kaden Payne, Laird
13 Hudgins, Krash Poteete, and Caynen Smith; and

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15 WHEREAS, the Elks were supported by athletic trainer Jeff White,
16 Director of Athletics Steven Fein, and Superintendent Jeremy Mangrum; and

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18 WHEREAS, the Elks were led by Head Coach Zach Watson, Defensive
19 Coordinator Alex Burris, and Assistant Coaches Jude Bartholomew, Scott
20 Poteete, Tyler Dorton, Callen Cleveland, and Chris Smith; and

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22 WHEREAS, Elks Head Coach Zach Watson said of the victory, "It's
23 unbelievable. It's overwhelming. It means everything to our community. You
24 know, a lot of people didn't have us getting back here and pulling this thing
25 off. And, this speaks to the community, our faculty and administration, our
26 players, a little bit with the chip on their shoulder and all pulling in the
27 same direction, and you know, that's what propelled us back here and that's
28 what led us to a victory tonight.",

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30 NOW THEREFORE,

31 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
32 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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34 THAT the House of Representatives recognize the Elkins High School Elks
35 football team as the 2025 Class 4A state champions.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Head Coach Zach Watson by the Chief Clerk of the House of
3 Representatives.

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