

*Arkansas State Board of Education  
Resolution*

- WHEREAS,** More than 479,000 students attend public schools in Arkansas; and
- WHEREAS,** The Arkansas State Board of Education acknowledges the importance of public education and its impact on our communities today and in the future; and
- WHEREAS,** The Arkansas State Board of Education recognizes the vital role of more than 1,500 elected local school board members who establish the mission and direction for their local districts and approve policies to guide their school systems; and
- WHEREAS,** School board members contribute countless hours of their time fulfilling their state-mandated roles and responsibilities; and
- WHEREAS,** School board members must make key decisions regarding the curriculum, instruction, finance and facilities of our public schools; and
- WHEREAS,** School board members employ and evaluate the superintendent, who has the daily responsibility for the operation of the school district and
- WHEREAS,** School board members must participate in professional development every year in order to enhance their knowledge and skills related to their responsibilities; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**

That the Arkansas State Board of Education recognizes and salutes the members of local boards of education by proclaiming the month of January 2018 as Arkansas School Board Member Recognition Month.

  
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Dr. Jay Barth, Chair

  
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Johnny Key, Ex Officio Secretary

  
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