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HR 1006

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5 By: Representatives Lampkin, Woods

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 *TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEMORATE THE 100TH YEAR OF THE*
9 *OCCUPANCY OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CHAMBER.*

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12 **Subtitle**

13 *TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEMORATE THE 100TH*
14 *YEAR OF THE OCCUPANCY OF THE HOUSE OF*
15 *REPRESENTATIVES CHAMBER.*

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18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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22 *WHEREAS, the first site of the State Capitol was what is now known as*
23 *the Old State House Museum; and*

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25 *WHEREAS, in 1839, land was purchased by the state for a state prison*
26 *that was built on that land shortly after; and*

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28 *WHEREAS, in 1899, the state prison grounds were selected as the site*
29 *for the current location of the State Capitol; and architect George Mann was*
30 *hired and prison labor was used to begin the construction of the building;*
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33 *WHEREAS, the cornerstone for the building was laid in November 1900,*
34 *but funding issues delayed work on the site; and*

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36 *WHEREAS, in 1909, newly elected Governor George Donaghey, in*



1 *cooperation with the Capitol Commission, gave new life to the project by*
2 *restarting the building construction; and*

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4 *WHEREAS, Governor Donaghey watched over the project closely and*
5 *accepted no work but the best through his hands-on approval; and*

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7 *WHEREAS, George Mann and architect Cass Gilbert led the construction of*
8 *a building that has withstood the test of time and had the foresight to leave*
9 *enough space so the building could be updated several times for increased use*
10 *while still maintaining its historic character; and*

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12 *WHEREAS, by 1911, the building was still not complete but enough of the*
13 *building was complete for the chambers to move into the State Capitol for the*
14 *legislative session beginning on January 9, 1911; and*

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16 *WHEREAS, on January 1, 1915, the State Capitol was deemed complete,*

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18 *NOW THEREFORE,*

19 *BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH GENERAL*
20 *ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:*

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22 *THAT the House of Representatives recognizes and commemorates the 100th*
23 *year of the occupancy of the House of Representatives Chamber.*

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