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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 TO RENAME THE GULF OF MEXICO THE "GULF OF AMERICA"
10 AND TO REQUIRE ALL STATE AGENCIES TO USE THE TERM
11 "GULF OF AMERICA" IN OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

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14 **Subtitle**

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16 OF AMERICA" AND TO REQUIRE ALL STATE
17 AGENCIES TO USE THE TERM "GULF OF
18 AMERICA" IN OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

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20 WHEREAS, the Gulf of Mexico is a vital body of water that supports
21 economic, environmental, and cultural activities directly benefitting the
22 United States, including the State of Arkansas; and

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24 WHEREAS, the Gulf of Mexico serves as an important hub for American
25 energy production, trade, and tourism; and

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27 WHEREAS, the State of Arkansas has strong economic ties to industries
28 relying on the Gulf of Mexico; and

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30 WHEREAS, renaming the Gulf of Mexico the "Gulf of America" would
31 reinforce the role it plays in supporting the prosperity and security of the
32 United States; and

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34 WHEREAS, designating this body of water as the "Gulf of America" aligns
35 with the patriotic values of the State of Arkansas and acknowledges the
36 contributions of American industries, workers, and resources tied to the Gulf



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3 WHEREAS, state agencies should reflect the "Gulf of America"
4 terminology in all maps, documents, educational materials, and official
5 communications to promote consistency and awareness of the gulf's importance
6 to the United States,

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8 NOW THEREFORE,

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

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12 THAT the Gulf of Mexico shall be referred to as the "Gulf of America"
13 in all official state maps, documents, educational materials, and
14 communications prepared by state agencies.

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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the House of Representatives encourage the United
17 States Government and other states to adopt the term "Gulf of America" in
18 recognition of the importance of this body of water to the United States.

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT state agencies are directed to update official
21 state maps, documents, educational materials, and communications under their
22 jurisdiction, including without limitation websites, to reflect the name
23 change where practicable.

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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, the Chief Clerk
26 of the House of Representatives shall provide a copy of this resolution to
27 the Governor, the Department of Education, and all other relevant state
28 agencies for immediate implementation and action.

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