

1 State of Arkansas  
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5 By: Representative Rose  
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HR 1063

8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 TO RECOGNIZE COLLEEN NICK AND THE MORGAN NICK  
10 FOUNDATION ON THE THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
11 KIDNAPPING OF MORGAN NICK FOR THEIR TIRELESS EFFORTS  
12 IN THE PREVENTION AND RECOVERY OF MISSING AND  
13 EXPLOITED CHILDREN AND IN APPRECIATION OF THEIR  
14 ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES OF MISSING CHILDREN.  
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17 **Subtitle**

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19 NICK FOUNDATION ON THE THIRTIETH  
20 ANNIVERSARY OF THE KIDNAPPING OF MORGAN  
21 NICK.  
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23 WHEREAS, on June 9, 1995, six-year-old Morgan Chauntel Nick was  
24 kidnapped from a little league baseball game in Alma, Arkansas, and a massive  
25 state and federal law enforcement investigation ensued and continues, as  
26 Morgan Nick remains missing; and  
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28 WHEREAS, June 9, 2025, will mark the thirtieth anniversary of the  
29 kidnapping and disappearance of Morgan Nick; and  
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31 WHEREAS, Morgan's mother, Colleen Nick, formed the Morgan Nick  
32 Foundation in 1996 and serves as full-time Executive Director of the  
33 foundation; and  
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35 WHEREAS, the Morgan Nick Foundation believes that to reduce the number  
36 of child abductions, children must be educated and empowered with the skills



1 necessary to protect themselves from the dangers of abduction, and the  
2 foundation is proactive in offering prevention education programs for  
3 children, communities, and schools; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the Morgan Nick Foundation strives to be an organization  
6 recognized by the public and law enforcement as a leading resource in  
7 the prevention and recovery of missing and exploited children; and  
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9 WHEREAS, through Colleen Nick's outstanding leadership, the foundation  
10 assists thousands of families in crisis and successfully provides  
11 intervention, support, and reunification to children and their families; and  
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13 WHEREAS, for years, the Arkansas State Police has partnered with the  
14 Morgan Nick Foundation, which has been instrumental in countless  
15 investigations and has directly contributed to the safe recovery of missing  
16 and exploited children and the combatting of human trafficking in Arkansas;  
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19 WHEREAS, beyond investigative assistance, the Morgan Nick Foundation  
20 works with the Arkansas State Police in prevention and training efforts,  
21 ensuring officers are equipped with the latest techniques and knowledge to  
22 handle child abduction and exploitation cases, and the foundation's role in  
23 community engagement and education further strengthens Arkansas's overall  
24 approach to safeguarding children; and  
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26 WHEREAS, since the 2024 formation of the VALOR Group (which stands for  
27 Victory through Advocacy, Law Enforcement, Outreach, and Recovery) composed  
28 of members of the Arkansas Human Trafficking Council, the Morgan Nick  
29 Foundation has provided the Arkansas State Police with critical investigative  
30 assistance, training, and networking expertise that has directly contributed  
31 to the success of Arkansas State Police operations; and  
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33 WHEREAS, in January 2025 alone, with the support of the Morgan Nick  
34 Foundation, the Arkansas State Police successfully recovered sixteen (16)  
35 missing children in Arkansas, and in 2024, this partnership resulted in the  
36 recovery of eighty-two (82) children; and

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2           WHEREAS, Colleen Nick was instrumental in the adoption of the Morgan  
3 Nick AMBER Alert in Arkansas, making Arkansas the third state in the nation  
4 to have a statewide child abduction alert system in place; and  
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6           WHEREAS, Colleen Nick is a nationally recognized spokesperson and  
7 advocate for missing children and has spoken at the FBI Academy on Marine  
8 Corps Base Quantico in Virginia, the National Homicide Investigators  
9 Association Training Conference, and at National Missing Children's Day with  
10 former United States Attorney General Janet Reno; and  
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12           WHEREAS, Colleen Nick was invited to meet with former President George  
13 W. Bush and former First Lady Laura Bush at the White House Conference on  
14 Missing, Exploited, and Runaway Children in 2002 to explore new resources in  
15 the ongoing fight to recover missing children and prevent child abductions;  
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18           WHEREAS, Colleen Nick serves as an independent consultant with the  
19 National Center for Missing & Exploited Children and the Office of Juvenile  
20 Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and she travels the nation training law  
21 enforcement about the issue of missing and exploited children; and  
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23           WHEREAS, Colleen Nick is a co-creator of Team HOPE, a support program  
24 for families of the missing, at the National Center for Missing & Exploited  
25 Children; and  
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27           WHEREAS, Colleen Nick's passion and steadfast hope motivates her daily  
28 to fight for America's missing children and she continues to work with  
29 countless dedicated people to make a difference, one child at a time,  
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31 NOW THEREFORE,

32 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL  
33 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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35           THAT the House of Representatives recognize Colleen Nick and the Morgan  
36 Nick Foundation on the thirtieth anniversary of the kidnapping of Morgan Nick

1 for their tireless efforts in the prevention and recovery of missing and  
2 exploited children and appreciate their assistance to families of missing  
3 children.

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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be  
6 presented to Colleen Nick by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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