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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 19, 2025, AS ROOTED DAY IN
10 ARKANSAS TO HONOR THE DEDICATION OF ROOTED ADVISORS,
11 CELEBRATE STUDENT SUCCESS, AND EMPHASIZE THE NEED FOR
12 CONTINUED EFFORTS TO EXPAND EDUCATIONAL AND CAREER
13 OPPORTUNITIES STATEWIDE.
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16 **Subtitle**

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18 DAY IN ARKANSAS.
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20 WHEREAS, the Department of Education has partnered with Heartland
21 Forward and the rootEd Alliance to improve postsecondary outcomes for
22 students in rural communities by placing dedicated college and career
23 advisors in high schools to provide critical guidance and support; and
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25 WHEREAS, rootEd has made a significant impact in Arkansas by working to
26 grow the talent pipeline by increasing college enrollment, workforce
27 readiness, and educational attainment, helping thousands of students across
28 the state access higher education and career opportunities; and
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30 WHEREAS, rootEd advisors are dedicated supporters working to ensure
31 students, particularly those in underserved rural areas, have the necessary
32 resources, mentorship, and guidance to pursue and complete postsecondary
33 education; and
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35 WHEREAS, rootEd works to advance and grow the Arkansas economy and is a
36 valuable initiative working to offer access to a wide variety of jobs in



1 health care, construction, manufacturing, supply chain, education, high-speed
2 internet infrastructure, and beyond; and

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4 WHEREAS, the success of rootEd Arkansas is made possible through the
5 collaboration of public and private partners including school districts,
6 state agencies, and nonprofit organizations, all committed to strengthening
7 Arkansas’s workforce and economic future; and

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9 WHEREAS, celebrating rootEd Day on March 19, 2025, recognizes the
10 invaluable contributions of rootEd advisors, highlights the achievements of
11 Arkansas students, and promotes continued investment in education and
12 workforce development initiatives; and

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14 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives acknowledges the importance of
15 increasing access to education and career pathways for all Arkansans,
16 particularly in rural communities,

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18 NOW THEREFORE,

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

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22 THAT the House of Representatives recognize March 19, 2025, as rootEd
23 Day in Arkansas to honor the dedication of rootEd advisors, celebrate student
24 success, and emphasize the need for continued efforts to expand educational
25 and career opportunities statewide.