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8 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

9 TO RECOGNIZE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES® FOR
10 FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE IN IMPROVING THE HEALTH AND
11 WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND
12 DIRECTLY IMPACTING THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES OF THE STATE
13 OF ARKANSAS.
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15 **Subtitle**

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22 STATE OF ARKANSAS.
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24 WHEREAS, Ronald McDonald House Charities® has been committed to
25 supporting families when a child is seriously ill since the opening of the
26 first Ronald McDonald House in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1974; and
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28 WHEREAS, the mission of Ronald McDonald House Charities® to provide
29 essential services that remove barriers, strengthen families, and promote
30 healing when children need healthcare has positively impacted countless
31 families around the world; and
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33 WHEREAS, Ronald McDonald House Charities® has continued to create new
34 ways to support families along their child's healthcare journey; and
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36 WHEREAS, since 1974, McDonald's Corporation, its franchisees, and its



1 customers have collectively donated over one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000)
2 to help Ronald McDonald House Charities® serve millions of children and their
3 families throughout the sixty-two (62) countries and regions in which it
4 operates; and
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6 WHEREAS, Ronald McDonald House Charities® has expanded to more than
7 three hundred eighty-five (385) Ronald McDonald House programs, more than two
8 hundred seventy (270) Ronald McDonald Family Room programs, and more than
9 forty (40) Ronald McDonald Care Mobile programs; and
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11 WHEREAS, six (6) Ronald McDonald House Charities® programs operate in
12 Arkansas through one (1) Ronald McDonald House Charities® Chapter, providing
13 direct support and comfort to three thousand five hundred eighteen (3,518)
14 children and their families across the State of Arkansas annually; and
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16 WHEREAS, in 2023 alone, McDonald's Corporation, along with its Arkansas
17 franchisees and customers, raised more than nine hundred sixty-seven thousand
18 dollars (\$967,000) for the local Arkansas Ronald McDonald House Charities®
19 Chapter, which is equivalent to nine thousand six hundred seventy (9,670)
20 overnight stays for families at Ronald McDonald House Charities® programs in
21 Arkansas; and
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23 WHEREAS, Ronald McDonald House Charities® remains dedicated to
24 enhancing its programs and creating a world where all families have what they
25 need to ensure the best health outcomes for their children,
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27 NOW THEREFORE,

28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
29 STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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31 THAT the Senate recognize Ronald McDonald House Charities® for fifty
32 (50) years of service in improving the health and well-being of children and
33 their families and directly impacting the local communities of the State of
34 Arkansas.
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