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7 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

8 TO HONOR THE CAREER OF WAYLAND LOVELL UPON HIS
9 RETIREMENT AND TO COMMEND HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO
10 ARKANSAS AS A SOCIAL WORKER FOR MORE THAN 52 YEARS.

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13 **Subtitle**

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15 UPON HIS RETIREMENT AND TO COMMEND HIS
16 CONTRIBUTIONS TO ARKANSAS AS A SOCIAL
17 WORKER FOR MORE THAN 52 YEARS.

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20 WHEREAS, when Wayland Lovell graduated from South Arkansas University
21 in Magnolia, Arkansas, in 1962, he became the Assistant Coach and a classroom
22 instructor at his alma mater, Ashdown High School, in Ashdown, Arkansas; and
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24 WHEREAS, in 1966, Mr. Lovell became a social worker for the Arkansas
25 Social Services Work and Training Program which was designed to train heads
26 of families who were either unemployed or underemployed; and
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28 WHEREAS, from 1968 to 1973, Mr. Lovell worked for the Division of Youth
29 Services as a parole officer and counselor where he was the first of two
30 juvenile parole officers employed by the State of Arkansas and was
31 responsible for parole supervision of all youth paroled from the state
32 training schools and living in the western half of Arkansas; and
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34 WHEREAS, in 1973, Mr. Lovell returned to the Department of Social
35 Services where he was the Director of the Nursing Home Section, now known as
36 the Office of Long-Term Care of the Department of Human Services; and



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2 WHEREAS, from 1975 to 1978, Mr. Lovell served as a re-integration
3 officer where he was a counselor and advocate for youth on parole; and
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5 WHEREAS, in 1979, Mr. Lovell became the director of the Youth Services
6 program for the Southwest Arkansas Counseling and Mental Health Center where
7 he has served for 35 years; and
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9 WHEREAS, during Mr. Lovell's career he served families and youth in
10 need with grace and dignity, and those families who will never forget his
11 dedication and devotion; and
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13 WHEREAS, after more than 52 years of public service, Mr. Lovell's
14 insightful motto remains true: "Many people want to teach a kid a lesson, but
15 we need to be very careful about the lessons we teach",
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17 NOW THEREFORE,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE
19 OF ARKANSAS:
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21 THAT the Senate of the Ninetieth General Assembly honor Wayland Lovell
22 upon his retirement and commend his contributions to Arkansas as a social
23 worker for more than 52 years.
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon its adoption, a copy of this
26 resolution be presented to Wayland Lovell by the Secretary of the Senate.
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