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SENATE RESOLUTION

TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNTIL 12:00 NOON, MAY 22, 2020; TO AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, BY JOINT PROCLAMATION, TO RECONVENE OR ADJOURN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ANY TIME BEFORE 12:00 NOON, MAY 22, 2020; TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT RECONVENED OR ADJOURNED BEFORE 12:00 NOON, MAY 22, 2020, THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS ADJOURNED SINE DIE ON THAT DATE; TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL RECESSES OF EITHER OR BOTH CHAMBERS FOR PERIODS OF FOUR (4) CONSECUTIVE DAYS OR LONGER; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONVENE AND ADJOURN AS NECESSARY OUTSIDE THE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING.

Subtitle

TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXTENSION AND SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT OF THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR RECESSES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

(a) THAT the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General Assembly of

the State of Arkansas is extended until 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020;

(b) THAT the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General Assembly of the State of Arkansas shall enter into recess at a time as may be agreed upon by the House of Representatives and the Senate;

(c) THAT under Arkansas Constitution, Article 6, § 15, before adjournment of the General Assembly, the Governor is afforded five (5) days after receipt of a bill to sign a bill or veto a bill; therefore, the House of Representatives and the Senate shall be open on regular business days through 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020 so that the office of the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and the office of the Secretary of the Senate may receive communications, vetoes of bills by the Governor, and notification of errors and oversights;

(d) THAT the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate may, by joint proclamation:

(1) Reconvene the General Assembly at any time before 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020; or

(2) Adjourn the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General Assembly at any time before 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020, if they determine it is not necessary to reconvene;

(e) THAT if the General Assembly is not reconvened or adjourned before 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020, the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General Assembly is adjourned sine die on that date;

(f) THAT during the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General Assembly, in addition to the recess provided for in subdivision (b) of this section, the:

(1) House of Representatives may recess for periods of four (4) consecutive days or longer, by declaration of the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

(2) Senate may recess for periods of four (4) consecutive days or longer, by declaration of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and

(g) THAT during the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General Assembly, the House of Representatives, in order to follow recommended guidelines for social distancing and protection of members, staff, and guests during the COVID-19 public health emergency, is authorized to convene and adjourn as necessary outside the State Capitol Building at the Jack Stephens Center on the campus of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, or at such

other location as may be determined by the Speaker of the House of Representatives that is within the seat of government.