

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**  
**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: USA Gymnastics and its member clubs across the United States annually celebrate National Gymnastics Day to showcase the sport of gymnastics and to encourage and promote physical fitness among our youth; and

WHEREAS: Gymnastics provides a solid foundation for building strength, flexibility, and fitness, as well as life skills, self-esteem, and goal-setting abilities; and

WHEREAS: National Gymnastics Day seeks to promote the value of physical fitness and good nutrition for everyone, regardless of age, gender, or ability level, through the Tyson Fitness Challenge; and

WHEREAS: Gymnastics clubs in all parts of the country will partner with USA Gymnastics for this event to heighten visibility of the sport and to encourage participation at the grassroots level; and

WHEREAS: National Gymnastics Day aims to serve the greater good by raising funds for the Children’s Miracle Network to provide comfort and assistance to children who are in need; and

WHEREAS: Collectively, our Nation, our State, and USA Gymnastics strive to encourage greatness and achievement in our young people;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE BEEBE, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim September 12, 2009, as

**NATIONAL GYMNASTICS DAY IN ARKANSAS**

across the State, and I urge all citizens to celebrate the long hours of hard work, the values of discipline, and the determination required for athletic competition.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 17th day of July, in the year of our Lord 2009.

ORIGINAL SIGNED  
MIKE BEEBE, GOVERNOR

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CHARLIE DANIELS, SECRETARY OF STATE

