

## PROCLAMATION 2022 NATIONAL DAY OF RACIAL HEALING

- WHEREAS: Just like those who came before us, it is our duty to protect the students of the University of Central Arkansas (UCA) and maintain communities in which they may all be given the opportunity to succeed; and
- WHEREAS: We must all work earnestly to create courageous and supportive environments that acknowledge the traumatic past; promote the healing of the wounds created by racial, ethnic, and religious bias; and build an equitable and just society so that all of UCA's students and campus community members can thrive; and
- WHEREAS: Our students have the right to be provided every opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive in nurturing environments that do not violate their safety, dignity, and humanity; and
- WHEREAS: Every single person in our campus community has the opportunity to exhibit an act of kindness to make a simple change within themselves that can have a profound effect on an entire society; and
- WHEREAS: If we all dedicate ourselves to the principles of truth, racial healing and transformation, we can all bring about the necessary changes in thinking and behavior that will propel this great university forward as a unified force where racial biases will become a thing of the past; and
- WHEREAS: Racial healing is a vital and crucial commitment to the education, social, mental, and overall well-being of all members of the UCA community, particularly our students; and
- WHEREAS: The University of Central Arkansas, in conjunction with others throughout the State of Arkansas, and the United States of America, acknowledges Tuesday, January 18, 2022, as the "National Day of Racial Healing at the University of Central Arkansas" and urges all citizens to promote truth, racial healing and transformation in the ways that are best suited for them individually, as a means of working together to ensure the best quality of life for all of us.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Houston D. Davis, President of the University of Central Arkansas, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, January 18, 2022, as

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREFORE, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the University of Central Arkansas to be affixed.

Dr. Houston D. Davis, President

