



Asa Hutchinson Governor Stacy Hurst Secretary

Feb. 1, 2022

The Honorable Jay Obernolte 1029 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

RE: Japanese American World War II History Network Act

Dear Congressman Obernolte:

The Arkansas Historic Preservation Program fully supports the World War II History Network Act. We think that this act will bring much needed attention to the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II.

The depth and breath of this act will clearly allow future generations to learn and reflect upon these past events in United States history.

As you know the state of Arkansas had two relocation camps during this time. One was in Rohwer which is in Desha County and the other camp was Jerome which is part of Chicot and Drew counties. This act will most certainly bring much needed attention to these historic locations.

I look forward to following the successes of this act as it goes through the legislative process and working with the National Park Service.

Sincerely,

Scott Kaufman

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Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer