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Mike Kemp
Director of eGovernment
State of Arkansas
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Dear Mr. Kemp:

I am writing to express my support for efforts to create a web presence for all Arkansas counties presently without one. Saline County has an official website so we understand the value of a presence on the World Wide Web and the potential for providing service to our citizens 24/7/365.

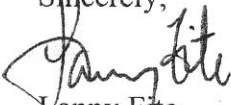
Most Arkansas counties do not have websites, so the need for assistance definitely exists. Tight budgets are often cited as the reason most counties are unable to reap the potential benefits of this first-step in electronic government.

Since Saline County already has a website we would not directly benefit from the proposed effort we discussed, however, there is no doubt Saline County and the rest of Arkansas could experience many indirect benefits. If all counties had websites it would certainly improve communication and provide immediate access to often needed information, plus provide many other positive capabilities. There would be substantial potential benefit for counties, for the state and for ALL our citizens.

I enthusiastically support efforts to create a web presence for all Arkansas counties and I would like to offer my assistance in any way I can help.

Please, feel free to contact me should you or your office need any further information.

Sincerely,



Lanny Fite
County Judge

cc: Janet Grard, INA