

ENROLLED HOUSE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1064

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and

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SENATE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DECLARING JUNE 1992 AS CHAUTAUQUA
MONTH IN OKLAHOMA; AND DIRECTING DISTRIBUTION.

WHEREAS, "Chautauqua", according to Theodore Roosevelt, is the
"most American thing in America"; and

WHEREAS, begun in 1874 as a Sunday school training seminar at a
camp on Lake Chautauqua in southwestern New York, the Chautauqua
Program quickly expanded into a continent-wide education program;
and

WHEREAS, Chautauqua brings to life the pages of American history
by giving audiences a chance to meet with various historical
personalities characterized in a period presentation and
perspective; and

WHEREAS, the tradition of Chautauqua offers American citizens of
all ages the opportunity to spend time with the best scholars and
thinkers of this nation out-of-doors in the Chautauqua tent; and

WHEREAS, the 1992 Great Plains Chautauqua Society's program is
called the "American Renaissance" and is based on the literature and
writers of that flowering of American writing in the mid-nineteenth
century which is called the "American Renaissance", and which will
include portrayals of Herman Melville, Louisa May Alcott, Margaret
Fuller, Frederick Douglass, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Walt Whitman and
Henry David Thoreau. The American Renaissance Chautauqua will visit
Ada, June 12-16, and Pryor, June 19-23; and

WHEREAS, the Arts and Humanities Council of Tulsa's "Progressive
Era" Chautauqua will be setting up its tent and presenting its
historical portrayals of Theodore Roosevelt, William Jennings Bryan,
Clarence Darrow and Charlotte Perkins Gilman in Tulsa, June 4-9,
1992, and in Ponca City, June 11-16, 1992; and

WHEREAS, at each Chautauqua the historical personalities have a
chance to speak their minds, to articulate the ideas that made them
famous and to argue their positions. Then the members of the
audience have an opportunity to question the characters and then to
discuss with the scholars the eras from which their characters have
come; and

WHEREAS, this free flow of communication between the audience,
the historical personalities and the scholars provides challenging

ideas about, and perspectives on, our own common cultural heritage;
and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the Governor and the Legislature, acting on behalf of all the people of this great state, encourage and welcome educational and cultural programs such as the Great Plains Chautauqua Society's "American Renaissance" and the Arts and Humanities Council of Tulsa's "Progressive Era".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 43RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Governor, the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the Oklahoma State Senate declare June 1992 as Chautauqua Month in Oklahoma and encourage state residents to take advantage of these cultural opportunities by attending these two model public humanities programs this summer.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the Governor of this state, the Oklahoma Foundation for the Humanities, East Central University, the Pryor area Arts and Humanities Council, the Arts and Humanities Council of Tulsa, the Great Plains Chautauqua Society, the Ponca City Arts and Humanities Council and the Ada Chamber of Commerce.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 14th day of April, 1992.

of Speaker of the House
s Representative

Adopted by the Senate the 29th day of April, 1992.

Senate President of the