

NROLLED HOUSE

RESOLUTION NO. 1042 By: Glover, Benson, Kirby,
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(Betty), Boyd (Laura), Breckinridge, Bryant, Case,
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Culver, Dank, Davis, Dunegan, Dunlap, Eddins,
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Hiatt, Hilliard, Holt, Hutchison, Johnson, Key,
Kinnamon, Kouba, Langmacher, Leist, Maddux, Mass,
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O'Neal, Paulk, Peltier, Perry, Pettigrew, Phillips,
Plunk, Pope (Clay), Pope (Tim), Ramsey, Reese,
Rhodes, Rice, Roach, Roberts, Ross, Sadler,
Satterfield, Seikel, Settle, Smaligo, Smith (Bill),
Smith (Dale), Staggs, Stanley, Steidley, Stites,
Stottlemire, Sullivan (John), Sullivan (Leonard),
Taylor, Thomas, Thornbrugh, Toure, Tyler, Vaughn,
Voskuhl, Weaver, Webb, Weese, Wells, Widener and
Worthen

A Resolution designating a portion of State Highway 115 from Cache, Oklahoma to Saddle Mountain as "Scenic State Highway 115"; directing the Oklahoma Department of Transportation to place suitable markers on certain portions of said highway; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Southwest Oklahoma is a vast region of rugged, undisturbed beauty, colorful history, and great outdoor recreation; and

WHEREAS, the natural beauty of this area has been enhanced by the development of beautiful lakes and reservoirs, created with the interests of outdoor enthusiasts in mind; and

WHEREAS, the majestic profiles of ancient mountains can be seen, rising in dramatic contrast to vast expanses of prairie, where elk, longhorns and buffalo roam; and

WHEREAS, exciting stories of buried treasure from Spanish gold to outlaw stashes still echo in portions of this territory; and

WHEREAS, the native beauty of Southwestern Oklahoma is most vividly evidenced along State Highway 115, from Cache through the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge to Saddle Mountain; and

WHEREAS, a person traveling along this stretch of road cannot escape the beauty and serenity of the contrasting landscape; and

WHEREAS, located along this serene, country route are many unique smaller rural communities; and

WHEREAS, these distinct localities are filled with a rich and varied history, featuring special landmarks, festivals, historical buildings, museum sites, delightful shops and restaurants; and

WHEREAS, for those travelers wanting a gentler pace of travel, this particular locality offers a variety of special interests; and

WHEREAS, one unique place of interest to visit is a turn-of-the-century gold rush boom town, Meers, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, situated in this small locale is the Meers Store, which once was a drugstore, doctor's and newspaper office, and general store, but now is a prosperous restaurant, famous for its "Meersburgers"; and

WHEREAS, this unique store is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and also houses a seismograph used to detect the earth's movements; and

WHEREAS, advertising State Highway 115 as "Scenic State Highway 115" will entice many Oklahomans and out-of-state travelers to view the beautiful countryside, the many striking attractions and towns located along this very picturesque route.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives designates a portion of State Highway 115 from Cache, Oklahoma to Saddle Mountain as "Scenic State Highway 115".

THAT the Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall cause suitable markers to be placed at appropriate sites upon the portion of State Highway 115 from Cache, Oklahoma to Saddle Mountain bearing the name "Scenic State Highway 115".

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Jack Crowley, Director of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 25th day of May, 1995.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives