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SHORT TITLE: A Joint Resolution designating a portion of Oklahoma State Highway 74 as the "John N. Happy Camp Highway"; directing the Oklahoma Department of Transportation to place suitable markers at appropriate sites upon Highway 74; codification; effective date; and directing distribution.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 45th Legislature (1996)

SENATE JOINT  
RESOLUTION NO. 35

By: Long (Ed) of the Senate

and

Voskuhl of the House

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution designating a portion of Oklahoma State Highway 74 as "The John N. Happy Camp Memorial Highway"; directing the Oklahoma Department of Transportation to place suitable markers at appropriate sites upon Highway 74; providing for codification; and providing an effective date; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, John N. Happy Camp was born May 11, 1908, in Enid, Oklahoma. Camp graduated from Waukomis High School and attended Phillips University. He was a past president of the Great Salt Plains Boy Scout Council; and

WHEREAS, John N. Happy Camp was a banker and businessman. Camp was honored in 1972 as Man of the Year in Oklahoma by the National Federation of Independent Business. He held the Future Farmers of America Masters Farmers Certificate; and

WHEREAS, John N. Happy Camp served twenty years in the Oklahoma House of Representatives and was a candidate for Governor in 1966. After the election, Camp served as Chair of the Board of Public Affairs. In 1968 he was elected to the United States House of Representatives from Oklahoma's Sixth District where he served until 1974 on the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee and Science and Astronautics Committee; and

WHEREAS, John N. Happy Camp served for decades as the Legislative Supervisor for Oklahoma Girls State. Camp also served as a member of the Oklahoma State Fair Board of Directors, State

Chamber of Commerce and Graduate Seminary Council of Phillips University; and

WHEREAS, John N. Happy Camp was a 32nd Degree Mason with membership in the Akdar Shrine and a member of Jesters; and

WHEREAS, John N. Happy Camp was a fervent believer in the two party system and representative politics. No dogmatist or believer in single issue politics, Camp believed in political compromise and was respected by and friends with office holders of both parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1627 of Title 69, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

State Highway 74 within the borders of Garfield County shall be designated the "John N. Happy Camp Memorial Highway" in respect for this joyous practitioner of representative government. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall cause suitable permanent markers to be placed upon the highway bearing his name.

SECTION 2. Copies of this resolution shall be distributed to the family of John N. Happy Camp.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 1996.

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