

ENGROSSED HOUSE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1031

By: Benson and Boyd (Laura)
of the House

and

Taylor of the Senate

A Concurrent Resolution proclaiming the week of May 5-11, 1997, as Public Service Recognition Week; welcoming state employees participating in State Agency Recognition Day at the State Capitol; recognizing those state employees impacted by the bombing of the Oklahoma City federal building on April 19, 1995; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma's greatness is magnified by the service, integrity, concern, and commitment of its public servants; and

WHEREAS, there are over 185,000 state and local employees in the State of Oklahoma, thousands of unpaid volunteers providing services to the public, and thousands more local elected officials and federal employees; and

WHEREAS, May 5, 1997, marks the first day of a week-long celebration proclaimed by the Governor to be Public Service Recognition Week in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, these persons perform their duties as educators of Oklahoma's young people, making certain that utility services are provided to Oklahoma homes, that Oklahoma citizens are protected from dangerous criminals, and that young vulnerable children are protected against those who would harm them; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma's public servants have rallied to meet crises, work long hours, disregard their own personal safety to save the

health and lives of others and provide many other essential services frequently without any public recognition; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma's public servants include the 280 state employees who were directly impacted by the bombing on April 19, 1995, and those 280 state employees as well as other public servants serve as noted examples of the dedication, loyalty, concern and commitment to public service that deserve our appreciation and recognition; and

WHEREAS, the labors, dedication and loyalty of Oklahoma's public servants are a resource that should be treasured and these individuals who have chosen such a path are deserving of respect and admiration; and

WHEREAS, it is proper and fitting that the Oklahoma Legislature and the people of this great state officially recognize the dedication, loyalty, diligence and many other contributions of Oklahoma's public servants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 46TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature joins with the Governor in proclaiming the week of May 5-11, 1997, as Public Service Recognition Week.

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature extends its welcome to state employees who will be participating in State Agency Recognition Day at the State Capitol and to all of Oklahoma's public servants.

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature, on behalf of the people of Oklahoma, hereby commends and celebrates the efforts of all of Oklahoma's public servants who so diligently labor to provide products, services and amenities to the citizens of this great state.

THAT a special recognition be given to the approximately 280 state employees who were directly impacted by the bombing on April

19, 1995, and who, with great personal and emotional sacrifice and risk, responded to the immediate needs and rescue of their co-workers and subsequently returned to work and restored their necessary state services within a few days after the bombing and at minimal loss to the general public.

THAT a copy of this resolution be given to the Administrator of the Office of Personnel Management for distribution to all appointing authorities in Oklahoma state government and to all state agencies who on April 19, 1995, were located in the Water Resources Board Building, Journal Record Building, and the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 8th day of May, 1997.

of _____ Speaker _____ of the House
s _____ Representative

Adopted by the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1997.

Senate _____ President _____ of the