ENGROSSED HOUSE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1062

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A Concurrent Resolution relating to the promotion of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse prevention; supporting research-based, comprehensive prevention; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in the State of Oklahoma, 3,350 motor vehicle crashes occurred in 1995 due to drivers under the influence of alcohol; and

WHEREAS, there were 3,062 injuries and 114 deaths in 1995 resulting from motor vehicle crashes where a driver was under the influence of alcohol in the State of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, in the State of Oklahoma, 3,165 juveniles were arrested in 1995 for alcohol and drug violations; and

WHEREAS, alcohol use is associated with three major causes of death among adolescents: homicides, suicides, and drownings; and

WHEREAS, children of alcoholics have a 62% higher average hospital stay than other children; and

WHEREAS, a diagnosis of an alcohol or psychiatric disorder increases the risk of having the opposite diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, drug abuse is known to increase the risk of psychiatric comorbidity, and preventing alcohol and other substance abuse problems is known to prevent comorbidity; and

WHEREAS, preventing alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse problems is known to increase opportunities for early, cost-effective, and successful interventions in psychiatric disorders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 46TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse education is a benefit to all citizens of the State of Oklahoma.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives will support existing research-based, comprehensive programs and services for the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse problems for the citizens of the State of Oklahoma; and

THAT copies of this resolutions shall be distributed to the members of the Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the State Board of Education, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and to all local Area Prevention Resource Centers.

Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of April, 1998.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1998.

President of the Senate