

ENROLLED HOUSE

RESOLUTION NO. 1011 By: Sadler, Adair, Adkins, Askins, Bastin, Begley, Benson, Beutler, Blackburn, Bonny, Boyd (Betty), Boyd (Laura), Braddock, Bryant, Case, Claunch, Coleman, Collins, Covey, Cox, Culver, Dank, Davis, Deutschendorf, Dunegan, Easley, Eddins, Ervin, Erwin, Ferguson, Fields, Frame, Gilbert, Glover, Graves, Gray, Greenwood, Hager, Hamilton, Hastings, Hefner, Hiett, Hilliard, Hutchison, Ingmire, Key, Kinnamon, Kirby, Kouba, Langmacher, Leist, Lindley, Liotta, Maddux, Mass, Matlock, McCarter, Miller, Mitchell, Morgan, Newport, O'Neal, Ostrander, Paulk, Perry, Pettigrew, Phillips, Plunk, Pope (Clay), Pope (Tim), Ramsey, Reese, Rice, Roach, Roberts, Ross, Satterfield, Seikel, Settle, Smith (Dale), Smith (Hopper), Staggs, Stanley, Steidley, Stites, Sullivan (John), Sullivan (Leonard), Taylor, Thomas, Thornbrugh, Toure, Turner, Tyler, Vaughn, Voskuhl, Weaver, Webb, Weese, Wells, Wilt and Worthen

A Resolution mourning the tragic loss of Perry Gene Anderson; extending sincere condolences and sympathy to his beloved family on the sad loss of Perry Gene Anderson; praising the outstanding achievements of Perry Gene Anderson and commending his superior work as Director of the Area Agency on Aging at the Southern Oklahoma Development Association; making a permanent record; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in the poignant words of the famous French author, Michel de Montaigne, "Wherever your life ends, it is all there. The advantage of living is not measured by length, but by use; some men have lived long, and lived little; attend to it while you are in it. It lies in your will, not in the number of years, for you to have lived enough"; and

WHEREAS, it is truly befitting to remember these meaningful and poetic words when thinking about the productive life of Perry Gene Anderson, a man who in the prime of his life was tragically taken from his beloved family and esteemed friends and colleagues in a fatal car accident in February of this year; and

WHEREAS, in the short span of his existence, Perry Anderson truly used his knowledge, intelligence, and God-given talents and made a tremendous difference in the world around him, undeniably enriching the lives of those who met, knew and loved him; and

WHEREAS, Perry Anderson's will to succeed is reflected in his dynamic leadership capabilities, being a well-respected businessman, dedicated civic leader, and Director of the Area Agency on Aging at the Southern Oklahoma Development Association (SODA), advocating and taking a strong stance on the importance of providing and delivering crucial services for the senior population in the Ardmore area; and

WHEREAS, it is also most appropriate and unique to recognize the late Perry Gene Anderson today on this very special day, "Senior Day" at the State Capitol, commending him on his outstanding public service contributions made to the senior population living in his area of the state; and

WHEREAS, Perry Gene Anderson will be remembered for his genuine, undaunted and tenacious commitment in supporting those initiatives

that would improve the quality of life for all Oklahomans, including the senior population of this state; and

WHEREAS, Perry Anderson, a man of deep religious convictions, a loving family man, a coach and basketball referee and avid golfer, and Director of the Area Agency on Aging at SODA, who fervently advocated programs and services for senior citizens, also will be remembered for the numerous and varied contributions that he made to his community and the State of Oklahoma.

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

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives mourns the tragic loss of Perry Gene Anderson, a great humanitarian who committed much time and effort to betterment of the world that surrounded him.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives extends sincere condolences and sympathy to his beloved family on the sad loss of Perry Gene Anderson, a great Oklahoman and exemplary role model to those who met, knew, and loved him.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives praises the outstanding achievements of Perry Gene Anderson and commends him for his superior work as Director of the Area Agency on Aging at the Southern Oklahoma Development Association in dealing with the important issues related to the needs of senior citizens in the Ardmore area and across the state.

THAT a copy of this resolution be spread upon the pages of the Journal of the Oklahoma House of Representatives as a permanent record of the praise and condolences expressed herein.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Perry Gene Anderson's beloved wife, Catherine Anderson; adoring sons, Michael Benjamin and Jeff Anderson; loving parents, Maceo and Elizabeth Anderson; and caring sisters, Neta Anderson, La Wanda Anderson, and Pearl Carter.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 2nd day of April,
1997.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives