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RESOLUTION NO. 63 By: Douglass, Brown, Cain, Campbell, Capps, Dickerson, Dunlap, Easley, Fair, Fisher, Ford, Gustafson, Haney, Harrison, Helton, Hendrick, Henry, Herbert, Hobson, Horner, Kerr, Laughlin, Leftwich, Littlefield, Long, Maddox, Martin, Mickle, Milacek, Monson, Morgan, Muegge, Price, Rabon, Roberts, Robinson, Rozell, Shurden, Smith, Snyder, Stipe, Taylor, Weedn, Wilcoxson, Wilkerson, Williams, Williamson and Wright

A Resolution honoring Bobbie Burbridge Lane as Oklahoma's 1998 Mother of the Year; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, as a youth Bobbie Burbridge won the national Columbia recording contest and was selected as spokeswoman for Maryland Club Coffee. As a girl, she sang on television and radio, made public appearances and made recordings. She was also chosen as the Sooner Band vocalist at Classen High School. Bobbie attended Oklahoma City University and earned degrees in radio and television; professional voice; and drama. She married Wes Lane in 1954; and

WHEREAS, after the birth of her son, Charles Wesley Lane II, she continued her professional work and was a model with John Robert Powers Modeling Agency in San Francisco, California, as well as continuing her formal education; and

WHEREAS, after the birth of her daughter, Leslie Dianne Lane, Bobbie continued major civic volunteer work, such as raising money for the YWCA, United Appeal, the Oklahoma Science and Arts Foundation, the Santa Claus Commission, working for the worldwide conservation of animals, and public awareness of alcoholism; and

WHEREAS, Bobbie Burbridge Lane, continuing her professional career, was accepted into the Screen Actors Guild, studied acting with famous drama coach Lee Strasburg and starred in musicals at the Lyric Theatre. She also was involved with her children's education, chairing fund-raising events at Casady School; and

WHEREAS, Bobbie Burbridge Lane served on the Board of Directors for the Jane Brooks School for the Deaf in Chickasha, Oklahoma, raising public awareness and money for the school. She was associated with the School for 23 years; and

WHEREAS, in 1994 Bobbie became President of the Burbridge Foundation, Inc., a Christian foundation started by her father, R.O. Burbridge. Under Bobbie's leadership, the Foundation refocused its efforts on the problems caused by the breakdown of families in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Bobbie Burbridge Lane initiated a number of programs sponsored by the Burbridge Foundation. These include "Calm Waters" which provides support groups for children and their parents whose families have experienced divorce. Bobbie has publicized the role of mediators intended to help families avoid the courts. Guardian Ad Litem attorneys, representing the best interest of children in divorce cases, volunteer through the Burbridge Foundation. The "Whiz Kids" program furnishes tutors for children having problems in school; and

WHEREAS, in the wake of the Oklahoma City bombing of the Murrah Federal Building on April 19, 1995, the Burbridge Foundation responded by working with the entire community to sponsor "A

Celebration of Love" which was held at the Oklahoma City Civic Center on July 2, 1995.

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

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate honors Bobbie Burbridge Lane as Oklahoma's 1998 Mother of the Year.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Bobbie Burbridge Lane; her daughter, Dianne Lane Beffort; and son, Charles Wesley Lane II.

Adopted by the Senate the 6th day of April, 1998.

President of the Senate