

ENROLLED HOUSE
RESOLUTION NO. 1025

By: Bryant, Adair, Adkins, Askins, Begley, Benge, Benson, Beutler, Blackburn, Bonny, Boyd, Braddock, Calvey, Case, Claunch, Coleman, Collins, Corn, Covey, Cox, Culver, Dank, Davis, Deutschendorf, Dunegan, Easley, Eddins, Ervin, Erwin, Ferguson, Fields, Frame, Gilbert, Glover, Graves, Gray, Greenwood, Hastings, Hefner, Hiett, Hilliard, Hutchison, Ingmire, Jones, Kinnamon, Kirby, Kouba, Langmacher, Leist, Lindley, Liotta, Maddux, Mass, Matlock, McCarter, Miller, Mitchell, Morgan, Nance, Nations, Newport, Ostrander, Paulk, Perry, Pettigrew, Phillips, Piatt, Plunk, Pope (Clay), Pope (Tim), Reese, Rice, Roach, Roberts, Roggow, Ross, Seikel, Sellers, Settle, Smith (Dale), Smith (Hopper), Staggs, Stanley, Stites, Sullivan (John), Sullivan (Leonard), Sweeden, Taylor, Thomas, Thornbrugh, Toure, Turner, Tyler, Vaughn, Weaver, Webb, Wells, Wilt, Winchester, Worthen and Wright

A Resolution declaring April 26, 1999, as Victims' Day at the Capitol; recognizing and supporting victims of crime in Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, according to the Uniform Crime Reports and the State Medical Examiner's Office there were over Twenty Thousand (20,000) violent crimes in the State of Oklahoma in the year 1997;

WHEREAS, those crimes include murder, rape and attempted rape, robbery, arson and aggravated assault;

WHEREAS, there were over Twenty Thousand (20,000) cases of domestic abuse, over Eleven Thousand (11,000) cases of confirmed child abuse and over Three Hundred (300) alcohol-related traffic fatalities in 1997;

WHEREAS, in Oklahoma one violent crime occurs approximately every twenty-nine (29) minutes;

WHEREAS, the victims of these crimes will be represented by empty shoes displayed in the State Capitol during National Victims' Rights Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 47TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives declares April 26, 1999, as "Victims' Day at the Capitol".

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives recognizes that victims of crime cannot always stand up for themselves.

THAT copies of this resolution shall be distributed to the Victims Services Division of the District Attorneys Council and the Oklahoma Coalition for Crime Victims Rights.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 26th day of April, 1999.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives