STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

SENATE JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 21 By: Pruitt

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution designating a portion of a state highway as the "Dr. William R. Bright Bypass"; requiring the Department of Transportation to place permanent markers on such highway; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, Dr. William R. "Bill" Bright, a native of Coweta, Oklahoma, and a graduate of Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, following graduate studies at Princeton and Fuller Theological Seminaries, felt the call of God to help fulfill Christ's Great Commission to "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations"; and

WHEREAS, from a small beginning in 1951 on the campus of UCLA, Dr. Bright founded and organized the Campus Crusade for Christ International which today has more than 19,000 full-time staff and 281,000 trained volunteer staff in 172 countries, in areas representing ninety-eight percent of the world's population; and

WHEREAS, Dr Bright, who holds five honorary doctorate degrees, received the 1982-83 Jubilate Christian Achievement Award, along with his wife, Vonette, for outstanding leadership and dedication in furthering the gospel and was the 1996 recipient of the $1.1 Million Templeton Prize for Progress in Religion, a prize he dedicated to promoting fasting and prayer for revival around the world. He was inducted into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame in November 1996; and

WHEREAS, an author of more than 50 books, as well as thousands of articles and pamphlets which have been distributed in the

millions in most major languages, Dr. William R. "Bill" Bright continues to fulfill Christ's Great Commission by hosting the television program *Keys to Dynamic Living,* and a daily radio program*, WorldChangers Radio.*

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1631 of Title 69, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A portion of a state highway in the State of Oklahoma shall be designated the "Dr. William R. Bright Bypass". The Department of Transportation shall cause suitable permanent markers to be placed upon the highway bearing such name.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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