

ENGROSSED HOUSE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1014

By: Ross and Graves of the
House

and

Horner and Milacek of the
Senate

A Concurrent Resolution authorizing an Oklahoma Medal of Distinction for survivors of the Tulsa Race Riot of 1921; stating purpose of providing medal of distinction to survivors; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, The 1921 Tulsa Race Riot Commission, as required by law submitted on February 28, 2001, its Final Report on the events of May 31 and June 1, 1921, in Tulsa that has come to be known as the Tulsa Race Riot of 1921; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature which created The 1921 Tulsa Race Riot Commission directed the Commission to develop and authenticate a list of persons who were residents of the Greenwood community in Tulsa at the time of the events of May 31 and June 1, 1921; and

WHEREAS, The 1921 Tulsa Race Riot Commission has identified, contacted, and registered 118 surviving Greenwood community residents from that time period; and

WHEREAS, the Greenwood community survivors of the events of May 31, 1921, experienced tremendous personal and property loss as the result of the events of those days and those losses have never been properly compensated or recognized; and

WHEREAS, the eightieth anniversary of the Tulsa Race Riot, which takes place on May 31 and June 1, 2001, provides a fitting occasion for the Oklahoma Legislature to recognize these certified survivors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 48TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature hereby authorizes the striking of
an Oklahoma Medal of Distinction for the survivors of the events of
May 31 and June 1, 1921, in Tulsa that has come to be known as the
Tulsa Race Riot of 1921.

THAT the striking of this Medal of Distinction be recognized as
a small step in recognition of the harm done to the residents of the
Greenwood community on May 31 and June 1, 1921.

THAT a copy of this resolution and a medal be given to the
certified surviving residents of the Greenwood community developed
by The 1921 Tulsa Race Riot Commission.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 20th day of March,
2001.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Adopted by the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2001.

Presiding Officer of the Senate