

ENROLLED HOUSE
RESOLUTION NO. 1046

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A Resolution expressing encouragement to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, Oklahoma City Police Department, and Tulsa Police Department for the continuation of efforts to obtain federal grants for the purposes of investigations of rape cases where the offender or offenders remain unknown; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, over 1,300 rapes are reported in Oklahoma each year; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of those rapes remain unsolved; and

WHEREAS, continued investigations of unsolved rape cases are necessary to public safety; and

WHEREAS, federal funds and grants are available to assist law enforcement agencies with this endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, Oklahoma City Police Department and Tulsa Police Department are involved in a significant number of rape investigations; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of Oklahoma for the Oklahoma Bureau of Investigation, Oklahoma City Police Department and Tulsa Police Department to apply for additional funding in order to facilitate investigations into unsolved rape cases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 48TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives expresses its support of the continuation of efforts to obtain federal funding by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, Oklahoma City Police Department and Tulsa Police Department for the investigations of unsolved rape cases.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives asks the Governor and the Senate to join with the House of Representatives in expressing such encouragement.

THAT copies of this resolution be given to Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation Director DeWade Langley, Oklahoma City Police Chief M.T. Berry, Tulsa Police Chief Ronald Palmer, Oklahoma City Manager James Couch, Tulsa Mayor Bill LaFortune and the Tulsa City Council.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 24th day of May,
2002.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives