

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION HCR1012

By: Ingmire and Wells of the
House

and

Morgan of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution remembering the victims of the Oklahoma State University basketball team plane crash; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, on Saturday, January 27, 2001, a tragic plane crash in Colorado claimed the lives of ten men associated with the Oklahoma State University men's basketball team; and

WHEREAS, the people of this state and basketball fans around the country will never forget the ten very special people who lost their lives while pursuing one of their greatest loves - Oklahoma State University basketball; and

WHEREAS, each of these outstanding men unselfishly contributed their time and energy to improve the lives of everyone in the Oklahoma State University family; and

WHEREAS, although these individuals were united as teammates and coworkers, bound together by a common passion for athletics, they were also very unique individuals who will be remembered fondly, not just for all the good things they did for Oklahoma State University and their state, but for their passion for living; and

WHEREAS, as members of the Oklahoma State University basketball squad, Nate Fleming of Edmond, Oklahoma, and Daniel Lawson of Detroit, Michigan, were an inspiration to their teammates, friends and family, always quick with a smile or a helping hand, both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, media relations coordinator Will Hancock and basketball operations director Pat Noyes were the wheels that kept the basketball team on track, exhibiting enthusiasm, professionalism and upbeat attitude in all that they did; and

WHEREAS, athletic trainer Brian Luinstra and student assistant Jared Weiberg were integral parts of the Cowboy program, making sure that players and coaches were the best they could possibly be; and

WHEREAS, Kendell Durfey worked diligently behind the scenes to make sure that thousands of Oklahoma State University fans could follow the performance of their beloved Cowboys, often cheering along with them as an ardent supporter of the university's athletic programs; and

WHEREAS, play-by-play commentator Bill Teegins, the beloved voice of the Cowboys, was so much more than an announcer, inspiring fans with his tireless dedication, boundless enthusiasm and inspired call of the game; and

WHEREAS, pilots Bjorn Fahlstrom and Denver Mills were avid basketball fans and true professionals in the air and on the ground; and

WHEREAS, although each of these individuals was taken from life far too soon and will be missed greatly by family and friends, their passion for the game of basketball and life itself will serve as a living legacy that will inspire generations to come.

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 remembers the lives of the ten victims of the Oklahoma State University plane crash, Kendell Durfey, Bjorn Fahlstrom, Nate Fleming, Will Hancock, Dan Lawson, Brian Luinstra, Denver Mills, Pat Noyes, Bill Teegins and Jared Weiberg, and honors their memory.

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature expresses its sympathy and support to the families of the victims, Coach Eddie Sutton and the Oklahoma State University basketball team and the entire Oklahoma State University family.

That copies of this resolution be distributed to Oklahoma State University President James Halligan, Coach Eddie Sutton, Athletic Director Terry Don Phillips and the members of the Board of Regents for Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges.

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