

ENGROSSED HOUSE  
CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION NO. 1009

By: Bonny, Adair, Blackburn, Braddock,  
Brannon, Carey, Covey, Cox,  
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Erwin, Gilbert, Hamilton, Harrison,  
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(Ray), Mitchell, Morgan (Danny),  
Nance, Nations, Paulk, Pettigrew,  
Pope, Rice, Roan, Roberts, Roggow,  
Smith (Dale), Smithson, Staggs,  
Stanley, Taylor, Turner, Tyler,  
Walker, Wilson, Winchester and Young  
of the House

and

Johnson of the Senate

A Concurrent Resolution applauding Historic Fort  
Reno, Inc., for their hard work and dedication;  
urging Oklahoma's Congressional Delegation to support  
certain federal funding; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in the words of one of our greatest statesmen, Thomas  
Jefferson, "A morsel of genuine history is a thing so rare as to be  
always valuable"; and

WHEREAS, Fort Reno is considered by many to be a valuable  
historic site in Oklahoma, encompassing 45 rare and vintage  
structures around the historic fort quadrangle; and

WHEREAS, Fort Reno, a unique Oklahoma treasure, was established  
as an Oklahoma Territory Military Post in 1874 and initially was  
charged with maintaining peace in the central plains; and

WHEREAS, Fort Reno played a very important role in the frontier  
settlement of Oklahoma Territory and has played key roles in each  
phase of Oklahoma's transition from territorial days to modern  
times; and

WHEREAS, over the years, time has taken its toll causing  
extensive deterioration of these 45 irreplaceable structures,  
requiring extensive restoration and preservation; and

WHEREAS, recently the Board of Directors of Historic Fort Reno, Inc., requested federal appropriations to restore these 45 structures at Fort Reno thus preventing the loss of this site of genuine Oklahoma history.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 49TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature applauds Historic Fort Reno, Inc., for their hard work and dedication to preserving an important historic resource and valuable treasure in our state, Fort Reno and the 45 rare structures located at this site.

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature urges the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation to support critical federal funding for the necessary restoration and preservation of these buildings located at Fort Reno thereby saving a valuable Oklahoma historic site, and in the process, improving tourism and economic development potential.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to each member of the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation and to each Board member of Historic Fort Reno, Inc.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 26th day of February, 2003.

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Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

Adopted by the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate