ENGROSSED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 46

By: Wilkerson, Ford, Aldridge, Branan, Brogdon, Cain, Capps, Coates, Coffee, Corn, Crutchfield, Dunlap, Fair, Fisher, Gumm, Harrison, Helton, Hobson, Horner, Johnson, Kerr, Laster, Laughlin, Lawler, Leftwich (Debbe), Lerblance, Littlefield, Maddox, Milacek, Monson, Morgan, Myers, Nichols, Price, Pruitt, Rabon, Reynolds, Riley, Robinson, Rozell, Shurden, Smith, Snyder, Taylor, Wilcoxson, Williams and Williamson of the Senate

and

Askins of the House

A Concurrent Resolution commending Richard Gusé for his work promoting the rights of Oklahoma victims of crime; thanking him for his service; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in 1981 the Oklahoma State Legislature passed House Bill 1118, known as the "Oklahoma Crime Victims Compensation Act". Governor George Nigh signed the bill, and it became law on October 19, 1981. The legislation provided a method of compensating and assisting persons who are victims of criminal acts and who suffer bodily injury or death as a result. Funds awarded to victims come from assessments placed on persons pleading guilty or convicted of crimes at the district court level; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gusé has served on the Crime Victims Compensation Board since its inception both as a Board Member and as its Chair. Under his leadership the program to aid the victims of crime has been highly successful. Richard Gusé has taken a personal interest in providing comfort and relief to those Oklahomans who

have suffered as a result of criminal activity and has provided extraordinary public leadership promoting and defending the rights of Oklahoma victims of crime; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gusé has retired from the Crime Victims Compensation Board after donating and investing his time and energy to launch the program and ensure its success.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 49TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature commends Richard Gusé for his efforts and leadership on behalf of Oklahoma crime victims by promoting their rights and pursuing just compensation.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature thanks Richard Gusé for his exemplary service on the Crime Victims Compensation Board.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Richard Gusé.

Adopted by the Senate the 10th day of March, 2004.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____, 2004.

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Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives