STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 49th Legislature (2004)

HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION HCR1063: Covey of the House

and

Price of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution designating a section of highway on Spur 281 from Exit 108 on Interstate 40 to Pump Station Road as the Jesse Chisholm Memorial Highway; directing the Oklahoma Department of Transportation to place permanent markers; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the life of Jesse Chisholm is synonymous with the development of trade and commerce in Oklahoma beginning with the Chisholm Trails and including his ability to facilitate negotiations between government and tribal leaders; and

WHEREAS, the trails of Jesse Chisholm are responsible for the establishment of interstate commerce by cutting a path through Indian Territory to Kansas and opening a wider market opportunity for cattle ranchers; and

WHEREAS, as a trader of goods and a Native American, he symbolizes an ever increasing appreciation Oklahomans have for their cultural diversity and represents the self-taught man seeking a better life for himself and in the process bringing the opportunity to others seeking to achieve a higher quality of life; and

WHEREAS, as a historical figure, he represents what is great about our state including the establishment of negotiations between government entities and local tribes at war; and

WHEREAS, to this day many visitors from all places seek out the solitary grave marker of Jesse Chisholm and a memorial commemorating

the life of Jesse Chisholm and Chief Left Hand. The visitors on their quest for western history are undeterred even with the difficult trek and obscure location; and

WHEREAS, by providing a more prominent and fitting marker, this piece of our rich history will be shared by an even greater number of visitors and appropriately honor Jesse Chisholm and his final resting place.

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

THAT the section of highway located on Spur 281 from Exit 108 on Interstate 40 to Pump Station Road be designated the Jesse Chisholm Memorial Highway.

THAT the Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall cause permanent suitable markers to be placed upon the highway bearing the name.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to Secretary of Transportation Phil Tomlinson and the Director of Transportation Gary Ridley, to the members of the State Transportation Commission and to the City of Geary.

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