

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 49th Legislature (2004)

HOUSE CONCURRENT

RESOLUTION HCR1078:

Ingmire and Wells of the House

and

Morgan of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution recognizing and commending the contributions of Dr. Deke Johnson to the advancement of community education; congratulating Dr. Deke Johnson for his induction into the prestigious Community Education Hall of Fame; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in the profound words of John Dewey, "Education is a social process...Education is growth...Education is, not a preparation for life; education is life itself."; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Deke Johnson has dedicated a lifetime to the promotion and advancement of community education programs throughout this great state and nation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Deke Johnson has said, "To me, community education is probably one of the most powerful means of tying families, schools and communities together because it looks at education as a lifelong process and because all members of the community are partners in that lifelong process"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Deke Johnson, Associate Professor of educational administration and Director of the Oklahoma Center for Community Education at Oklahoma State University was one of 45 persons and the only Oklahoman to receive induction into the inaugural Community Education Hall of Fame located in New Orleans, Louisiana this past December; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Deke Johnson was selected for this prestigious honor because of his long-term contributions to the growth and development of community education programs at local, state, national, and international levels; and

WHEREAS, the commitment to community education is reflected in Dr. Deke Johnson's vita which depicts his extensive educational and professional background; memberships and offices held in various civic, professional, and social organizations; his academic publications; and other many prominent professional and educational accolades awarded to him; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Oklahoma Legislature commends Dr. Deke Johnson for his vast expertise, knowledge, and commitment to the area of community education.

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 Oklahoma Legislature recognizes and commends the contributions of Dr. Deke Johnson to the advancement of community education and the educational realm itself.

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature congratulates Dr. Deke Johnson for being inducted into the prestigious Community Education Hall of Fame this past December.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to Dr. Deke Johnson, Director of the Oklahoma Center for Community Education at the Oklahoma State University; Ms. Starla Jewell Kelly, Executive Director of the National Community Education Association; and Dr. David J. Schmidly, President of the Oklahoma State University.

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