

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE

RESOLUTION HR1046:

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A Resolution honoring Oklahoma's fallen peace officers; designating the week of May 9 through May 15, 2004, as Police Week; designating May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day.

WHEREAS, the members of law enforcement agencies within the State of Oklahoma provide a crucial service in protecting the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, peace officers fulfill a great calling in upholding the rule of law in our society, choosing their profession and taking their oaths knowing that theirs is a dangerous job. These public servants accept these risks and answer the call of duty with a willingness to serve that reflects the best of America; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens of Oklahoma know and understand the problems, duties, and responsibilities of their peace officers; and

WHEREAS, it is of great importance that the State of Oklahoma honor the memory of the more than 600 peace officers who have died in the line of duty in what is today the State of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of these United States has authorized and requested the President to designate May 15 of each year as "Peace Officers Memorial Day" and the week in which it falls as "Police Week"; and by Public Law 103-322 has directed that the flag be flown at half-staff on Peace Officers Memorial Day.

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

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives sincerely honors the memory of the fallen peace officers of this great State of Oklahoma and recognizes the sacrifice each officer made in service to Oklahoma.

THAT the week of May 9 through May 15, 2004, is hereby observed as Police Week in Oklahoma.

THAT May 15, 2004, shall be designated and observed as Peace Officers Memorial Day in Oklahoma.

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