

**HR 1049** – Adair, Adkins, Armes, Askins, Balkman, Bengé, Blackburn, Blackwell, Bonny, Boren, Braddock, Brannon, Calvey, Carey, Cargill, Case, Claunch, Coleman, Covey, Cox, Dank, Davis, Deutschendorf, DeWitt, Dorman, Easley, Eddins, Ellis, Ericson, Erwin, Ferguson, Gilbert, Graves, Greenwood, Hamilton, Harrison, Hastings, Hefner, Hiett, Hilliard, Hutchison, Ingmire, Jones, Kirby, Lamons, Langmacher, Leist, Lindley, Liotta, Maddux, Mass, McCarter, McClain, McIntyre, Miller (Doug), Miller (Ray), Mitchell, Morgan (Danny), Morgan (Fred), Nance, Nations, Newport, O’Neal, Paulk, Perry, Peters, Peterson (Pam), Peterson (Ron), Pettigrew, Phillips, Piatt, Plunk, Pope, Reynolds, Rice, Roan, Roberts, Roggow, Smaligo, Smith, Smithson, Staggs, Stanley, Steele, Sullivan, Sweeden, Taylor, Tibbs, Toure, Trebilcock, Turner, Tyler, Vaughn, Walker, Wells, Wilson, Wilt, Winchester, Worthen, Wright, Young.

A House Resolution wishing Kathy Muckala the very best in her retirement years; thanking Kathy Muckala for her years of service and superb work; making a permanent record in the Journal of the Oklahoma House of Representatives; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in the immortal words of Julius Caesar, “Veni, Vidi, Vici – I came, I saw, I conquered”; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Susan Muckala, better known to us as Kathy, *came* to work as a Staff Attorney for the Oklahoma House of Representatives on July 1, 1981, bringing with her impressive educational credentials and professional work experience; and

WHEREAS, on that day, the infamous Kathleen Susan Muckala *saw* that much work was to be done and vigorously attacked each assignment and project with the utmost of diligence and confidence; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Muckala has *conquered* the hearts of many people at the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the State of Oklahoma with her big heart, wonderful sense of humor and rare gift of being able to laugh at herself; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Muckala, prior to coming to the State Capitol, graduated in 1972 from the University of Central Oklahoma with a Bachelor of Science degree in the areas of biology and chemistry; and

WHEREAS, the unsinkable Kathy Muckala received her Juris Doctorate from Oklahoma City University and was admitted to the Oklahoma Bar Association in 1980 and was admitted to practice in federal court in 1981; and

WHEREAS, since her tenure as a Staff Attorney with the Oklahoma House of Representatives, Kathy Muckala has worked in a number of specialized areas such as: Administrative Law and Procedure, Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources, Public Health, Mental Health, and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, Kathy can lay claim to numerous significant contributions to Oklahoma law, including but not limited to her work with the Oklahoma Children’s Code, nursing home policy reform, guardianship laws, senior citizen issues, writing Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes for the consolidation of environmental agencies, and corporation farming standards; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, Kathy has been a shining light to the many people she has worked with and been associated with, displaying her enthusiastic zest and love for life, her family and friends, her religion, and especially her passion for the discipline of law; and

WHEREAS, Kathy has already begun to embark on a new career in her retirement with her passion for antiques and for Scotties, many of whom have already found homes with Kathy’s friends, coworkers and acquaintances at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that we say farewell to Kathy Muckala as she leaves the halls of the Oklahoma State Capitol Building and retires to the “farm” in Marshfield, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to thank Kathy Muckala for the twenty-three years of hard work at the Oklahoma House of Representatives and to say, “It won’t be the same without you!”

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 wishes Kathy Muckala the very best of life in her retirement years.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives thanks Kathy Muckala for her years of service and superb work she has performed throughout her tenure with the Oklahoma House of Representatives.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives and its staff extends to Kathy Muckala heartfelt congratulations and best wishes on her retirement.

THAT a copy of this resolution be spread upon the pages of the Journal of the Oklahoma House of Representatives as a permanent record of praise expressed herein “cause she’s a good ole girl!”

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Kathleen Susan Muckala; her husband, Steven Muckala; her sons, Eric and Caleb Muckala; and Bob Clark, Mayor of Marshfield, Missouri.