STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE
RESOLUTION 1059 By: Wesselhoft

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution proclaiming February 13, 2006, as The First Annual Day of Purity.

WHEREAS, Today's youth have witnessed the negative health consequences of sexual experimentation at an early age, including staggering rates of teenage pregnancies, teenagers infected with sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), and teenage abortions; and

WHEREAS, youth respond to positive as well as negative peer pressure; and

WHEREAS, sexual abstinence until marriage is 100% effective, 100% of the time, in preventing out-of-wedlock births, STDs, and abortions; and

WHEREAS, sexual abstinence is beneficial and has no harmful side effects; and

WHEREAS, young people, like everyone else, want to stay healthy and happy. They also want the freedom to choose their own futures and not to pay a hard price later for decisions made at an early age; and

WHEREAS, many of the youth in Oklahoma and in the United States desire to make a public statement to show their enthusiasm and support for sexual abstinence until marriage; and

WHEREAS, policy makers, public officials and educators must take a lead in promoting healthy lifestyles for youth; and

WHEREAS, the approaching Valentine's Day is a holiday time when friendship and love are focused in our hearts and minds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature supports the proliferation of school purity peer clubs and the classroom instruction of abstinence education until marriage.

THAT February 13, 2006, be proclaimed as The First Annual Day of Purity in the State of Oklahoma and it shall be instituted in an effort to restore healthy communities and to raise the awareness of sexual abstinence until marriage.

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