

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 51st Legislature (2008)

3 HOUSE CONCURRENT  
4 RESOLUTION 1084

By: DeWitt

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Concurrent Resolution renaming the Oklahoma State  
8 Art Collection Gallery the Betty Price Gallery; and  
9 directing distribution.

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12 WHEREAS, Betty Price is well known for her passionate commitment  
13 to Oklahoma and to the arts; and

14 WHEREAS, she touched almost every aspect of the arts through  
15 statewide service on numerous committees, including the Oklahoma  
16 Centennial Commission, American Indian Cultural Center, Oklahoma  
17 Indian Affairs Commission, National Board of Artrain USA, Oklahoma  
18 Tourism Promotion Advisory Committee, and Friends of the Mansion and  
19 Friends of the Capitol; and

20 WHEREAS, Betty Price was honored as the 2006 Red Earth  
21 Ambassador of the Year, was named Arts Agency Director of the Year  
22 by the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies, and was inducted  
23 into the Oklahoma Women's Hall of Fame; and  
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1       WHEREAS, she served as the Executive Director of the Oklahoma  
2 Arts Council from 1983 until her retirement in 2007; and

3       WHEREAS, as former Executive Director, she was a guiding force  
4 in the commissioning and dedication of major murals, portraits, and  
5 sculptures in the public areas of the State Capitol, and was an  
6 advisor for the Capitol dome; and

7       WHEREAS, the Oklahoma State Art Collection, established by the  
8 Oklahoma Arts Council in 1971, was created to collect and preserve  
9 the work of Oklahoma artists; and

10       WHEREAS, in honor of Oklahoma's Centennial, the Oklahoma State  
11 Art Collection Gallery was officially dedicated at the State Capitol  
12 on November 17, 2007; and

13       WHEREAS, in recognition of Betty Price's significant work in  
14 acquiring the space for the Oklahoma State Art Collection Gallery,  
15 it is appropriate that the gallery be renamed the Betty Price  
16 Gallery.

17       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
18 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE  
19 CONCURRING THEREIN:

20       THAT the Oklahoma State Art Collection Gallery, located at the  
21 State Capitol, first floor, west wing, be renamed the Betty Price  
22 Gallery, in honor of Betty Price's service and dedication to the  
23 arts in Oklahoma.

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1        That an official copy of this resolution be distributed to Betty  
2 Price, and to Suzanne Tate, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Arts  
3 Council.

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