

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE

4 RESOLUTION 1079

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution celebrating the life and mourning the
8 loss of Jack Mildren; expressing sorrow at his
9 untimely death; extending sympathy to his family;
10 making a permanent record; and directing
11 distribution.

12 WHEREAS, it is with heavy hearts that we acknowledge the passing
13 of an Oklahoma legend, Jack Mildren, a true leader who inspired us
14 both with his exploits on the football field and with his dedication
15 to public service; and

16 WHEREAS, Jack Mildren came to Oklahoma in 1968 from Abilene,
17 Texas, as a highly recruited high school quarterback, who to the
18 delight of Sooner fans, chose to attend the University of Oklahoma;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Jack Mildren was OU's first great wishbone quarterback,
21 a master of the option offense, who thrilled fans with some of the
22 most memorable moments in OU's renowned football history; and

23 WHEREAS, Jack Mildren's college football career culminated with
24 the 1971 season, in which the University of Oklahoma football team

1 finished second in the nation with an 11-1 record, including a 40-22
2 defeat of Auburn in the Sugar Bowl, losing only to the eventual
3 National Champion Nebraska Cornhuskers in the "Game of the Century"
4 by the score of 35-31, a game in which Jack Mildren distinguished
5 himself by scoring four touchdowns, two rushing and two passing; and

6 WHEREAS, after a three-year career in the National Football
7 League, Jack Mildren embarked on a successful career in the oil
8 industry and then an illustrious career in government service; and

9 WHEREAS, Jack Mildren was elected Lieutenant Governor in 1990
10 and served with distinction in that office through 1994; and

11 WHEREAS, Jack Mildren brought the same energy and dedication to
12 the Office of Lieutenant Governor and to public service in general
13 that he displayed during his football career and the state benefited
14 greatly from his service; and

15 WHEREAS, Jack Mildren's many positive contributions to the
16 betterment of this state make all Oklahomans glad that he chose to
17 come to our state; and

18 WHEREAS, although Jack Mildren has been taken from us, he will
19 always be remembered as a man of integrity and courage whose legacy
20 will not dim with time.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
22 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

23 THAT Oklahoma celebrates the life and mourns the loss of Jack
24 Mildren, an Oklahoma legend and truly remarkable man.

1 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby expresses
2 deepest sorrow for the untimely death of Jack Mildren, and extends
3 heartfelt sympathy to the family of Jack Mildren.

4 THAT a copy of this resolution be spread upon the pages of the
5 Journal of the Oklahoma House of Representatives as a permanent
6 record of the sentiment and condolences expressed herein.

7 THAT duly authenticated copies of this resolution be dispatched
8 to Jack Mildren's wife, Janis, and to his children, Leigh Woody,
9 Lauren Ford, and Drew Mildren.

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