

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, February 20, 2008

House Concurrent
Resolution No. 1052

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1052 - By: LAMONS of the House and
CRAIN of the Senate.

A Concurrent Resolution recognizing the efforts of Dr. Thomas McKeon;
thanking him for his initiative; and directing distribution.

1 WHEREAS, Thomas McKeon, Ed.D. received his bachelor of science degree from
2 California Polytechnic State Institute and a master of science degree and a doctorate in
3 higher education administration from Oklahoma State University; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. McKeon began his career in 1980 at Tulsa Community College as a
5 horticulture instructor and progressed through the ranks of dean, provost, vice president,
6 associate vice president, executive vice president, and in 2004, was named president and
7 chief executive officer; and

8 WHEREAS, according to the 2005 U.S. Census, 27.2 percent of the U.S. population
9 age 25 and above has a bachelor's degree compared to 22.4 of Oklahoma's population age
10 25 and above; and

11 WHEREAS, in an effort to increase the number of college graduates in Tulsa
12 County, Dr. McKeon was instrumental in starting the "Tulsa Achieves" scholarship
13 program in 2007; and

1 WHEREAS, the “Tulsa Achieves” scholarship program pays up to 100% of tuition
2 and mandatory fees for up to 60 college credit hours for any student living in Tulsa
3 County and graduating from public, private, or home high school with a 2.0 grade point
4 average.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
6 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA
7 LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

8 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes Dr. Thomas McKeon’s efforts in
9 starting the “Tulsa Achieves” scholarship program.

10 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature thanks Dr. McKeon for his outstanding
11 initiative to increase the number of college graduates in Tulsa County.

12 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Dr. Thomas McKeon.

13 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 02-19-08 - DO PASS, As
14 Coauthored.