

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE CONCURRENT
4 RESOLUTION 1048

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Concurrent Resolution memorializing Congress and
8 the President to change the USS Arizona Memorial
9 Museum's designation to the Pearl Harbor Memorial
10 Museum and Visitor Center; memorializing Congress to
11 approve House Resolution 4336 of the 109th Congress;
12 and directing distribution.

13 WHEREAS, the USS Oklahoma Battleship Memorial has taken its
14 rightful place among all other memorials established at Pearl
15 Harbor, Hawaii, to honor those lost on the fateful day of 'infamy',
16 December 7, 1941; and

17 WHEREAS, specific acts of heroism and sacrifice on that day are
18 relived, remembered and revered by 1.5 million visitors on an annual
19 basis; and

20 WHEREAS, the USS Arizona Battleship Memorial will remain a
21 hallowed site and a focus for visitors because of the extraordinary
22 loss of human life forever entombed in that sunken ship; and

23 WHEREAS, a national fund-raising effort is being conducted for
24 the purpose of building a new visitor center honoring the sacrifice

1 of those who lost their lives in the USS Arizona as well as all
2 other victims of that attack; and

3 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper for the planned facility to
4 recognize all who suffered the ultimate loss in the attack on Pearl
5 Harbor, including those from the USS Oklahoma; and

6 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to revisit past Congressional
7 attempts to address this expanded mission and change the name of the
8 Museum and Visitor Center to accurately reflect the many victims of
9 the attack.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
11 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
12 CONCURRING THEREIN:

13 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature memorializes Congress to name the
14 planned visitor center currently under development in Pearl Harbor,
15 Hawaii, the Pearl Harbor Memorial Museum and Visitor Center.

16 THAT House Resolution 4336 of the 109th Congress has been
17 introduced to accomplish this change and should be approved.

18 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Governor of
19 Oklahoma, the President of the United States, the Clerk of the
20 United States House of Representatives, the Secretary of the United
21 States Senate and the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation.

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