

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 51st Legislature (2007)

3 HOUSE

4 RESOLUTION 1038

By: McMullen

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution commending Korn Bible School and Academy
8 on its 105th anniversary and for its commitment to
9 community and for providing quality education to
10 youth; and directing distribution.

11 WHEREAS, on October 9, 1885, the Washita Mennonite Brethren
12 Church expressed a unanimous desire to begin a private Bible school;
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14 WHEREAS, Korn Bible Academy was established in 1902 by a group
15 of Russian/German immigrants who desired to begin a school that
16 would teach the Bible and German; and

17 WHEREAS, the school opened with 25 elementary students and 25
18 preparatory students. Students were recruited from all over
19 Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas. Cornelius Bergen was the first student
20 to graduate from the school; and

21 WHEREAS, in 1917, a revival began in Korn and over 155 people
22 were baptized. At the revival the sermon was given in English for
23 the first time. At the same time, the town of Korn began to grow
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1 beyond their German roots and changed the name of the town to Corn;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, shortly after this, the school changed its name to Corn
4 Bible School and Academy. The school remained committed to teaching
5 the Bible, worship and missions; and

6 WHEREAS, the school expanded in 1929 to include a high school,
7 graduating its first class of high school seniors in 1932. The
8 school also received accreditation in 1935; and

9 WHEREAS, the school began reaching out to the community in the
10 1950s, and formed a mission band, school choir, band and orchestra
11 to perform for shut-ins and at street meetings. The music programs
12 now travel all over the country to perform concerts, special music
13 and worship services; and

14 WHEREAS, in 1952, the school began competing in interscholastic
15 activities, including participation in football, basketball,
16 softball, golf, soccer and volleyball; and

17 WHEREAS, the school also participates in several academic meets
18 and has an outstanding reputation in academic competition.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
20 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

21 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives commends Corn Bible
22 School and Academy on its 105th anniversary and for its commitment
23 for more than a century to its community and for providing quality
24 education to Oklahoma's youth.

1 THAT a copy of this resolution be dispatched to Corn Bible
2 School and Academy.

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