

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE

4 RESOLUTION 1054

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution recognizing Go Red for Women Month in
8 Oklahoma; extending appreciation to the American
9 Heart Association for its efforts in reducing heart
10 disease in Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

11 WHEREAS, in 2002 cardiovascular diseases claimed the lives of
12 483,800 women in America, more than 11 times that of breast cancer,
13 which claimed the lives of 40,410 women; and

14 WHEREAS, heart attack, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases
15 claim more lives of women than the next seven causes of death
16 combined; and

17 WHEREAS, one in five females in the U.S. has some form of
18 cardiovascular disease; and

19 WHEREAS, cardiovascular diseases and stroke accounted for
20 13,127, or 42.9%, of the deaths in Oklahoma in 2004; and

21 WHEREAS, the American Heart Association is funding 11
22 cardiovascular research projects worth \$1.13 million in Oklahoma;
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1 WHEREAS, over the last three years the American Heart
2 Association has funded nearly \$2.8 million in research at Oklahoma
3 institutions; and

4 WHEREAS, as the population ages heart disease will affect more
5 people; and

6 WHEREAS, the American Heart Association's 10-year strategic
7 impact goal was to reduce coronary heart disease, stroke and risk by
8 25 percent by 2010; and

9 WHEREAS, this goal was met two years early, which equates to
10 160,000 lives saved every year; and

11 WHEREAS, the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women
12 movement raises women's awareness that heart disease is the number
13 one cause of death for women; and

14 WHEREAS, the American Heart Association's goal is to empower
15 women with the knowledge and tools they need to make positive
16 lifestyle changes that help reduce their risk of heart disease; and

17 WHEREAS, the American Heart Association sweethearts are high
18 school girls who participate in educational and social activities
19 and are presented at the American Heart Association's prestigious
20 Heart Ball in February.

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

23 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives recognizes that
24 February of each year is Go Red for Women Month in Oklahoma.

1 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives extends its
2 appreciation to the American Heart Association for its efforts to
3 reduce the debilitating and deadly consequences of heart disease,
4 not only among women in Oklahoma, but among all Oklahomans.

5 THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Oklahoma
6 Chapter of the American Heart Association.

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