

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE

4 RESOLUTION 1062

By: Cargill

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution recognizing and celebrating Don Wallace;
8 directing distribution.
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11 WHEREAS, Don Wallace began his broadcasting career in 1949 in
12 Bartlesville, Oklahoma; and

13 WHEREAS, Don Wallace is an innovator in the field of
14 broadcasting as the first radio announcer to play Rock and Roll in
15 Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1955. Don Wallace was also the first to host
16 teen hops in Oklahoma; and

17 WHEREAS, During his 22-year-long career in radio broadcasting,
18 Don Wallace earned the national Movie Mirror magazine "Disc Jockey
19 of the Year" honor for 1963-64 while at WKY in Oklahoma City,
20 Oklahoma; and

21 WHEREAS, Don Wallace's passion for hunting and fishing in
22 Oklahoma led him to create The Wallace Wildlife Show in 1965 on WKY-
23 TV in Oklahoma City. This pioneering television program was the
24 fourth of its kind in the nation; and

1 WHEREAS, The Wallace Wildlife Show was the first outdoor sports
2 television program in the nation aired during prime time. It became
3 the highest-rated television show of its kind in 1976; and

4 WHEREAS, Many Oklahoma-made products and special guests first
5 featured on The Wallace Wildlife Show would later have a national
6 impact on sport fishing and hunting; and

7 WHEREAS, Don Wallace is an outdoor sporting visionary whose
8 regionally syndicated television program The Wallace Wildlife Show
9 helped to foster a greater appreciation for the Oklahoma outdoors.

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

12 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives recognizes and
13 celebrates the distinguished career of Don Wallace.

14 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Don Wallace and
15 his family.

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