

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 10

By: Jolley, Branan and Johnson
(Constance)

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution praising the public career of former
9 State Senator Bryce Baggett; mourning his loss; and
10 directing distribution.

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12 WHEREAS, Bryce Allen Baggett was born June 4, 1932, in Oklahoma
13 City, Oklahoma, the son of James Everett Baggett and Esther Roberta
14 Tippens. He graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a
15 Bachelor of Arts degree in 1954 and with an LL.B. in 1956; and

16 WHEREAS, Bryce Baggett was a partner in the law firm of Fellers,
17 Snider, Baggett, Blankenship and Bailey; and

18 WHEREAS, Bryce Baggett was selected as an Outstanding Young Man
19 of Oklahoma by the Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1961 and
20 Outstanding Young Man of Oklahoma City by the Oklahoma City Junior
21 Chamber of Commerce in 1967; and

22 WHEREAS, Bryce Baggett served in the Oklahoma State House of
23 Representatives from 1958 through 1964 and as a member of the
24 Oklahoma State Senate from 1964 through 1972. He was the first

1 Senator to represent Senate District No. 41. Senator Baggett had
2 the reputation as an expert in the areas of taxes and education. He
3 chaired the Constitutional Revision and Regulatory Services
4 Committee for the Senate; and

5 WHEREAS, Senator Bryce Baggett made a surprise entry into the
6 1970 Governor's race, and won a place in the Democratic Party run-
7 off; and

8 WHEREAS, Bryce Baggett was considered a likely candidate for
9 both the position of Governor and United States Senator in the 1978
10 election but eventually declined to run for either office; and

11 WHEREAS, Bryce Baggett again served Oklahoma State Government as
12 Executive Director of the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission in
13 1980; and

14 WHEREAS, Bryce Baggett was appointed to the National Conference
15 of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws in 1968 and was made a life
16 member in 1988 joining other legal luminaries from Oklahoma; and

17 WHEREAS, Bryce Baggett died February 15, 2007, at Presbyterian
18 Hospital in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, following a serious illness.

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

21 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate praises the public service and
22 governmental career of former State Senator Bryce A. Baggett.

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1 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate joins the family, friends, and
2 co-workers of former State Senator Bryce Baggett in mourning his
3 loss.

4 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to daughter,
5 Barbara Lynn; son, Bryce, Jr.; former wife, Barbara Jean Bolton;
6 brother, Dr. Rex T. Baggett; and granddaughter Breene.

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