

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 41

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution honoring Tom Taylor for his humanitarian
8 effort that saved the life of an individual who was
9 on fire; congratulating Trooper Tom Taylor for his
10 selection as the recipient of the 2006 Oklahoma
11 Highway Users Federation Humanitarian Award; and
12 directing distribution.

13 WHEREAS, on December 9, 2006, at about 4:00 in the afternoon,
14 Oklahoma Highway Patrol Trooper Tom Taylor (#767) was en route to an
15 assignment when he entered the Four Mile Store on U.S. Highway 62.
16 Trooper Taylor was advised there was a large brush fire behind the
17 store. Trooper Taylor investigated and discovered an individual on
18 the ground next to the brush fire. The individual's clothes and
19 body were both burning. Trooper Taylor immediately entered the fire
20 without concern for his own safety, attempted to put out the fire on
21 the individual with his hands, and finally dragged the subject out
22 of the fire; and

23 WHEREAS, Trooper Taylor, having pulled the individual out of the
24 fire, returned to his unit, grabbed a spare shirt, and used it to

1 put out the remaining fire on the subject's clothing. With the
2 assistance of two store clerks, he was also able to extinguish the
3 brush fire; and

4 WHEREAS, Trooper Taylor risked serious injury to rescue and put
5 out the fire on the individual. The subject received serious burns
6 over 60% of his body and, without Trooper Taylor's immediate
7 intervention, would have lost his life.

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

10 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate honors Oklahoma Highway Patrol
11 Trooper Tom Taylor for his humanitarian effort that saved the life
12 of an individual who was on fire.

13 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate congratulates Trooper Tom Taylor
14 for his selection as the recipient of the 2006 Oklahoma Highway
15 Users Federation Humanitarian Award.

16 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Oklahoma
17 Highway Patrol Trooper Tom Taylor and to Oklahoma Department of
18 Public Safety Commissioner Kevin Ward.

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