

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 CONCURRENT
3 RESOLUTION NO. 1025

By: Morgan, Armes, Auffet, Bailey, Banz,
Benge, Billy, Blackwell, Brannon,
Brown, Buck, Cannaday, Carey,
Christian, Collins, Coody, Cooksey,
Cox, Dank, Denney, Derby, DeWitt,
Dorman, Duncan, Enns, Faught, Fields,
Glenn, Hamilton, Harrison, Hickman,
Hilliard, Holland, Hoskin, Inman,
Jackson, Jett, Johnson, Jones, Jordan,
Joyner, Kern, Key, Kiesel, Kirby,
Kouplen, Lamons, Liebmann, Luttrell,
Martin (Scott), Martin (Steve),
McAffrey, McCullough, McDaniel
(Jeannie), McDaniel (Randy), McMullen,
McNiel, McPeak, Miller, Moore,
Morrissette, Murphey, Nations, Nelson,
Ortega, Osborn, Ownbey, Peters,
Peterson, Pittman, Proctor, Pruet,
Renegar, Reynolds, Richardson, Ritze,
Roan, Rousselot, Sanders, Schwartz,
Scott, Sears, Shannon, Shelton,
Sherrer, Shoemake, Shumate, Smithson,
Steele, Sullivan, Terrill, Thompson,
Thomsen, Tibbs, Trebilcock, Walker,
Watson, Wesselhoft, Williams, Wright
(Harold) and Wright (John) of the House

and

Coates of the Senate

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20 A Concurrent Resolution proclaiming July 2009 as
21 Oklahoma Cowboy Heritage Month; designating July 25,
22 2009, as Oklahoma Day of the Cowboy; encouraging
recognition and celebration; and directing
distribution.

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1 WHEREAS, the great state of Oklahoma is a land settled by native
2 tribes and by pioneers inspired to head west; and

3 WHEREAS, many of the major cattle trails established in the late
4 1800s ran through Oklahoma and helped usher in the era of the
5 cowboy; and

6 WHEREAS, the spirit of the cowboy embodies honesty, integrity,
7 courage, compassion, a strong work ethic, strong character, and
8 common sense; and

9 WHEREAS, the cowboy is an excellent steward of the land and its
10 creatures; and

11 WHEREAS, the cowboy lives off the land and works to protect and
12 enhance the environment; and

13 WHEREAS, cowboy traditions have been part of the Oklahoma
14 culture for generations; and

15 WHEREAS, the cowboy culture in Oklahoma has inspired artists,
16 conservationists, farmers, ranchers, and agricultural scientists for
17 generations; and

18 WHEREAS, the cowboy is a central figure in American literature,
19 film, and music, and continues to capture the public imagination;
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21 WHEREAS, Oklahoma is the home of many famous cowboys such as
22 Gene Autry, Will Rogers, William "Hopalong Cassidy" Boyd, Gordon
23 William "Pawnee Bill" Lillie, and Tom Mix; and

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1 WHEREAS, Oklahoma has been home to the National Cowboy and
2 Western Heritage Museum for nearly forty years, which reflects the
3 long tradition of cowboy culture in the state; and

4 WHEREAS, the cowboy tradition continues to live on in livestock
5 shows and rodeos, and through all those who live off the land or
6 sing a song by fireside under a night sky; and

7 WHEREAS, the cowboy continues to be an important part of the
8 economy through the work of ranchers in the state; and

9 WHEREAS, the ongoing contributions made by cowboys and cowgirls
10 to their communities should be recognized and encouraged.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
13 CONCURRING THEREIN:

14 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature proclaims July 2009 as
15 Oklahoma Cowboy Heritage Month in the State of Oklahoma.

16 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature designates July 25, 2009, as
17 Oklahoma Day of the Cowboy in the State of Oklahoma.

18 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature encourages the citizens of
19 the state to recognize and celebrate Oklahoma Cowboy Heritage Month
20 and Oklahoma Day of the Cowboy with appropriate ceremonies, events
21 and activities.

22 THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to Bethany Braley,
23 Executive Director and Publisher of the National Day of the Cowboy
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1 Organization and Angie Maynor, Director of the Chandler Route 66
2 Interpretive Center.

3 Adopted by the House of Representatives the 29th day of April,
4 2009.

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7 Presiding Officer of the House of
8 Representatives

9 Adopted by the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2009.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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