

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
March 8, 2010

House Resolution No. 1070

HR 1070

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1070 - By: LIEBMANN of the House.

A Resolution designating Railroad Day; and providing for distribution.

1 WHEREAS, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad, known as the "KATY"
2 Railroad laid the first railroad track in Indian Territory in June 1870, extending south
3 from Kansas toward Vinita; and

4 WHEREAS, in December 1872, the KATY railroad completed their track
5 construction across Indian Territory by spanning the Red River near Dennison, Texas,
6 and linking with a Houston Texas Railroad to create the "New Route to the Gulf" from
7 the central part of the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, freight railroads played a dominate role in constructing hundreds of
9 Oklahoma cities and towns in the late 1800's and early 1900's; and

10 WHEREAS, today's freight railroad industry continues to provide important rail
11 service to hundreds of businesses, utilities, and farm-related customers throughout
12 Oklahoma; and

13 WHEREAS, Union Pacific Railroad, Burlington Northern Sante Fe Railway
14 Company, Kansas City Southern Railroad and 18 Short Line Railroads mark 140 years of
15 continuous rail service to the great State of Oklahoma.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
2 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA
3 LEGISLATURE:

4 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby designates March 9, 2010, as
5 Railroad Day in Oklahoma in appreciation of the extraordinary service the freight
6 railroad industry has provided this state.

7 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma Railroad
8 Association, the Department of Transportation and the Corporation Commission.

9 DIRECT TO CALENDAR.