

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 HOUSE CONCURRENT  
4 RESOLUTION 1021

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Concurrent Resolution recognizing cowboy poetry in  
8 the State of Oklahoma; and designating "Cowboy Poetry  
9 Week" in the State of Oklahoma.

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12 WHEREAS, throughout the history of the American West and  
13 Oklahoma in particular, cowboy and pioneer poets have played a large  
14 part in preserving western heritage and the culture of Oklahoma  
15 through oral and written poetry; and

16 WHEREAS, the long tradition and endearing qualities of these old  
17 stories and poems demonstrate that cowboy poetry is a cherished  
18 Oklahoma tradition; and

19 WHEREAS, Oklahoma has produced several well-respected  
20 contemporary cowboy poets; and

21 WHEREAS, Oklahoma hosts many cowboy poetry gatherings; and

22 WHEREAS, recognizing the contributions of these poets dates as  
23 far back as cowboys themselves; and  
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1       WHEREAS, the celebrations and official designations and  
2 proclamations of a state should reflect the traditions and values of  
3 its people; and

4       WHEREAS, it is necessary to recognize the importance of cowboy  
5 poetry among the general public.

6       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
7 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE  
8 CONCURRING THEREIN:

9       THAT the Oklahoma Legislature designates the week of April 19  
10 through April 25, 2009, as "Cowboy Poetry Week" in the State of  
11 Oklahoma.

12       THAT the people of the great State of Oklahoma are called upon  
13 to celebrate the week with appropriate ceremonies, activities, and  
14 programs.

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