

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE

4 RESOLUTION 1033

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution relating to agriculture; proclaiming
8 April 6, 2009, as 4-H Day at the Capitol; designating
9 2009 as the Centennial Anniversary of 4-H in
10 Oklahoma; commending the Oklahoma 4-H program for its
11 100 years of service to this state.

12 WHEREAS, the 4-H program in Oklahoma began with the founding of
13 a Johnston County Boy's Corn Club in 1909, under the direction of
14 W.D. Bentley, that was learning how to use improved production
15 methods to grow corn on their farm; and

16 WHEREAS, the first girls' 4-H program grew out of the Johnston
17 County Corn Club, where girls wished to enroll in the first Oklahoma
18 4-H Club to grow tomatoes and can the tomatoes using improved
19 production and home canning methods; and

20 WHEREAS, from these humble roots the program continues to expand
21 linking the latest education and research available from the
22 nation's land-grant colleges and universities to educate today's
23 youth about science, engineering, and technology, healthy living and
24 citizenship, while staying true to its roots; and

1 WHEREAS, through its 100 years of existence in Oklahoma, the 4-H
2 program has reached more than one million boys and girls with
3 educational and developmental programs that have contributed
4 significantly to the quality of life for these young people and
5 their families.

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

8 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby proclaims
9 April 6, 2009, as 4-H Day at the Capitol.

10 THAT 2009 be designated as the Centennial Anniversary of 4-H in
11 Oklahoma.

12 THAT the Oklahoma 4-H program be recognized and commended for
13 its 100 years of service to the people of this state and the
14 contributions it has made through the dedicated efforts of Oklahoma
15 State University and Langston University Cooperative Extension
16 employees to the 141,000 youth currently enrolled in Oklahoma 4-H
17 and the more than 4,900 adult and teen volunteers who give of their
18 time and energy to make 4-H a truly great organization.

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