

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 52nd Legislature (2010)

3 HOUSE
4 RESOLUTION 1074

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution relating to agriculture; extending
8 appreciation to the agriculture industry of Oklahoma
9 for efforts and contributions to this state;
10 proclaiming March 25, 2010, as Agriculture Day at the
11 State Capitol; and providing for distribution.

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13 WHEREAS, the agriculture industry in Oklahoma is a vital part of
14 Oklahoma's economy and employs hundreds of thousands of Oklahomans;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, the market value of agricultural production in Oklahoma
17 was approximately Five Billion Eight Hundred Six Million Sixty-one
18 Thousand Dollars (\$5,806,061,000.00) in 2007; and

19 WHEREAS, the market value of agricultural machinery and
20 equipment in Oklahoma was approximately Five Billion Five Hundred
21 Eight Million Forty-eight Thousand Dollars (\$5,508,048,000.00) in
22 2007; and

1 WHEREAS, there are approximately eighty-six thousand six hundred
2 farms in Oklahoma with a total amount of farmland estimated to be
3 over thirty-five million acres; and

4 WHEREAS, Oklahoma ranked in the top ten nationally for sales of
5 cattle, swine, and horses, and sales of poultry and eggs were over
6 Seven Hundred Forty-eight Million Dollars (\$748,000,000.00) in 2007;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Oklahoma ranks in the top five nationally for the
9 number of acres of wheat, sorghum, and hay; and

10 WHEREAS, the diversity of the agriculture industry in Oklahoma
11 is evident as grapes and organic specialty crops have become viable
12 economic alternatives to traditional crops; and

13 WHEREAS, the future of the agriculture industry requires a
14 dynamic vision as it faces rapidly evolving technologies and
15 shifting consumer demands; and

16 WHEREAS, the role of the agriculture industry is ever increasing
17 in the areas of production capacity and environmental protection.

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

20 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives extends its sincere
21 appreciation to Oklahoma's agriculture industry for its efforts and
22 contributions to this state.

23 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby proclaims
24 March 25, 2010, as "Agriculture Day" at the State Capitol.

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THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Governor of
the State of Oklahoma and the State Board of Agriculture.

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