Resolution

ENROLLED HOUSE
RESOLUTION NO. 1053 By: Nollan

A Resolution proclaiming and celebrating the Centennial Birthday of the City of Sand Springs on May 21, 2012; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Charles Page was born in 1860 and as a child adopted the philosophy of "Think Right"; and

WHEREAS, Charles Page became a caretaker of his mother and siblings at age 11 upon the death of his father; and

WHEREAS, Charles Page continually sent money to his mother while he worked as a railway cook and dispatcher, clerk in a general store, lumberjack, logger, policeman, police chief, detective for the Pinkerton National Detective Agency, hotel owner, commodities trader, gold miner, real estate developer, oil well driller and investor in power plants, all before moving to the Oklahoma Indian Territory in 1901 and to the Tulsa area in 1903; and

WHEREAS, when Charles Page began to prosper, he never forgot how his mother struggled in poverty to keep the family together with few resources for widows or orphans and knowing first-hand how fatherless children often had to forgo education to support themselves and the family, he envisioned a planned community where widows and orphans could live and become productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, Charles Page rescued orphans in 1909 from a bankrupt orphanage in Tulsa and founded the "Home" and through his efforts over the years brought railway, water, electricity, greenhouse, farm, dairy, school, amusement park, churches and industry to a quarter-section of land he purchased west of Tulsa; and

WHEREAS, Charles Page's project that had been called "A Fool's Enterprise" was officially incorporated on May 21, 1912, and was

named "Sand Springs" for its Indian heritage - "where the springs come through the sand".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives proclaims and celebrates the Centennial Birthday of the City of Sand Springs on May 21, 2012.

THAT an official copy of this resolution be distributed to Mike Burdge, Mayor of the City of Sand Springs.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 3rd day of May, 2012.

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Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this_____

_____**day of**_____, **20** ____,

at _____ **o'clock** _____**M.**

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By: _____