

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

4 HOUSE CONCURRENT
5 RESOLUTION 1004

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9 A Concurrent Resolution supporting undergraduate
10 research and creative scholarly activities at
11 universities in Oklahoma; declaring Oklahoma
12 Undergraduate Research Day in the state; and
13 directing distribution.

14 WHEREAS, universities in Oklahoma continue to lead efforts of
15 scientific discovery and pioneering through their collaborative
16 approach and commitment to undergraduate research; and

17 WHEREAS, undergraduate research and creative scholarly
18 activities create an environment of continuous learning and
19 advancement that contribute to the overall educational capacity of
20 Oklahomans; and

21 WHEREAS, undergraduate research and creative scholarly
22 activities produce a deeper understanding and progress in multiple
23 disciplines that support Oklahoma's value of maintaining a diverse
24 and stable economy; and

1 WHEREAS, students who are involved in undergraduate research and
2 creative scholarly activities with faculty experience higher rates
3 of graduation and retention; and

4 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the
5 Oklahoma IDeA Network for Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE),
6 the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Oklahoma EPSCoR, the
7 National Science Foundation (NSF) and Oklahoma regional universities
8 have sponsored Research Day for the 14th year involving thousands of
9 faculty and students from across our state, hosted by the University
10 of Central Oklahoma.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
13 CONCURRING THEREIN:

14 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature supports and encourages
15 undergraduate research and creative scholarly activities at
16 universities in Oklahoma.

17 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature hereby designates March 8, 2013,
18 as Oklahoma Undergraduate Research Day in the State of Oklahoma.

19 THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the President
20 of the University of Central Oklahoma and the members of the Board
21 of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

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23 DIRECT TO CALENDAR.
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