

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE
4 RESOLUTION 1043

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution congratulating Eisenhower High School,
9 Lawton Public School District, on being recognized as
10 the National Math and Science Initiative School of
11 the Year; recognizing the positive impact of the
12 National Math and Science Initiative in Oklahoma; and
13 directing distribution.

14 WHEREAS, in 2011, with funding from Northrop Grumman, the
15 National Math and Science Initiative was launched in Oklahoma at
16 Eisenhower High School in the Lawton School District and at Carl
17 Albert High School in the Mid-Del School District; and

18 WHEREAS, with additional funding from the Oklahoma State
19 Department of Education, the Department of Defense Education
20 Activity Fund, and the Boeing Company, the National Math and Science
21 Initiative was expanded to a total of nine Oklahoma schools; and

22 WHEREAS, the focus of the National Math and Science Initiative
23 is to dramatically increase college readiness for students,
24 especially students from military families, by establishing the

1 National Math and Science Comprehensive Advanced Placement (AP)
2 Program in high schools; and

3 WHEREAS, the National Math and Science Initiative provides a
4 maximum positive impact of increasing college readiness, decreasing
5 remediation and associated costs, increasing STEM graduates and
6 preparing a workforce that will improve the economy of Oklahoma, all
7 at a minimum cost; and

8 WHEREAS, after the National Math and Science Initiative was
9 launched at Eisenhower High School, three teachers trained in
10 Advanced Placement came out of retirement to assist with the
11 program; and

12 WHEREAS, during the first year of the program, Eisenhower High
13 School exceeded expectations by meeting the third-year AP exam
14 qualifying score goals during that first year; and

15 WHEREAS, for the 2012-2013 school year, Eisenhower High School
16 was selected as the National Math and Science Initiative "School of
17 the Year" for the entire nation; and

18 WHEREAS, also during the 2012-2013 school year, Eisenhower High
19 School had the National Math and Science Initiative "Teacher of the
20 Year" and had the highest number of students achieving an AP exam
21 qualifying score in the state; and

22 WHEREAS, in addition and most impressively, Eisenhower High
23 School had the highest number of minority students achieving an AP
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1 exam qualifying score in the nation during the 2012-2013 school
2 year; and

3 WHEREAS, the National Math and Science Initiative is a
4 transformational program that changes the course of students' lives
5 by changing what they believe is possible and implementing the
6 Initiative has created excitement and altered the course of STEM
7 education in Oklahoma; and

8 WHEREAS, implementation of the National Math and Science
9 Initiative at Eisenhower High School has transformed the culture of
10 the school as demonstrated by the exceptional performance of the
11 school and students in the National Math and Science Comprehensive
12 AP Program.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
14 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

15 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby congratulates
16 Eisenhower High School in the Lawton School District on being
17 recognized as the National Math and Science Initiative "School of
18 the Year" for the 2012-2013 school year, and commends the
19 exceptional performance of Eisenhower High School in the National
20 Math and Science Comprehensive AP Program.

21 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives recognizes the
22 positive impact the National Math and Science Initiative has made
23 and will continue to make in education in Oklahoma schools which
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1 will also have a long-term positive impact on the workforce and
2 economy of the state.

3 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the
4 Superintendent of the Lawton School District, the principal of
5 Eisenhower High School and Nathan Slate, Site Manager for Northrop
6 Grumman in Lawton, Oklahoma.

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