

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)

HOUSE  
RESOLUTION 1031

By: Ford

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution relating to unsolved crimes; creating  
Unsolved Crimes Awareness Week.

WHEREAS, The FBI Uniform Crime Report estimates that  
investigators were able to close only 62% of murders and only 35% of  
sexual assaults in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Today, 40% of homicides go unsolved; and

WHEREAS, Experts estimate that, based on Uniform Crime Report  
data, our nation currently has 250,000 unsolved murders, a number  
that increases by about 6,000 each year; and

WHEREAS, Unsolved cases mean mounting caseloads for law  
enforcement, which drain resources and result in higher costs for  
agencies with limited budgets; and

WHEREAS, victims and families and friends of victims of violent  
crimes suffer great anguish that is increased by the fact that the  
crimes remain unsolved; and

1 WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the seriousness of this  
2 problem and to be vigilant in doing all we can to solve these  
3 crimes.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
5 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 57TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

6 THAT March 15 through March 21, 2020, is hereby declared to be  
7 Unsolved Crimes Awareness Week.

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