

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

4 HOUSE
5 RESOLUTION 1021

By: Goodwin

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 A Resolution recognizing May as National Cameroonian
11 Heritage and Diaspora Month.

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13 WHEREAS, National Cameroonian Heritage and Diaspora Month takes
14 place in May of 2023, the country of Cameroon has long served as an
15 important cultural, transportation, economic, and military partner
16 of the United States. Cameroonian immigrants and their descendants
17 have contributed greatly to many areas of American life, including
18 health care, education, arts, community service, and public policy;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, American allies, the countries of Ukraine and Cameroon
21 are beset with armed conflicts and human rights abuses. We
22 recognize Cameroonians now have challenges of immigration and seek
23 relief and reunification with their family members via the Special
24 Humanitarian Program; and

1 WHEREAS, institutions such as the Cameroonian Association of
2 Tulsa, CAMSA-OKC, Oklahoma Lions Soccer Club-OKC, Fehdan Meat
3 Processing LLC of Shawnee, Oklahoma, Manyu Community of Oklahoma
4 City, and the Cameroon American Council have been active in
5 business, social, sports, and advocacy sectors across Oklahoma; and

6 WHEREAS, Oklahoma is home to generations of Americans who take
7 great pride in their family roots in Cameroon, the National
8 Cameroonian Heritage and Diaspora Month provides a welcome
9 opportunity to recognize these significant contributions to the
10 prosperity and cultural vibrancy of Oklahoma and our nation.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

13 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby acknowledges
14 May of 2023 as National Cameroon Heritage and Diaspora Month.

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