

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                               STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                               2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

4   HOUSE  
5   RESOLUTION 1026

By: West (Josh)

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8                               AS INTRODUCED

9           A Resolution recognizing and celebrating the Native  
10          American Warrior.

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12          WHEREAS, the Native American Warrior has served the state of  
13          Oklahoma with honor, courage, and distinction and made the ultimate  
14          sacrifice; and

15          WHEREAS, the Native American Warrior has a long history of  
16          military service that dates back to the Revolutionary War; and

17          WHEREAS, during the twentieth century, more than Twelve Thousand  
18          (12,000) warriors served in World War I and Ten Thousand (10,000)  
19          Native American women joined the Red Cross, and over Forty-four  
20          Thousand (44,000) warriors and Eight Hundred (800) women served in  
21          World War II; and

22          WHEREAS, since 9/11, Native Americans have served at a higher  
23          per capita rate than any other ethnic group; and  
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1 WHEREAS, the Force 50 Foundation is leading an effort to honor  
2 and celebrate the Native American Warrior in 2024 with a special  
3 weekend event culminating in a permanent monument on the State  
4 Capitol Veterans' Memorial Grounds.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
6 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

7 THAT the Legislature supports recognizing the contributions of  
8 the Native American warrior.

9 THAT the Legislature supports the efforts to establish a  
10 monument on State Capitol grounds honoring the service and  
11 sacrifices of the Native American Warrior.

12 THAT the Legislature encourages all Oklahomans to participate in  
13 and support appropriately the efforts of the Force 50 Foundation to  
14 accomplish this worthwhile project and special weekend event.

15 THAT the Legislature encourages the Governor of Oklahoma and  
16 appropriate state agencies to support this meaningful project.

17 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Governor Kevin  
18 Stitt, Past Chairman of the Force 50 Foundation, Pete Reed,  
19 Chickasaw Nation Governor, Bill Anoatubby, Cheyenne and Arapaho  
20 Tribes Governor, Reggie Wassana, and the Leaders of the Thirty-nine  
21 (39) Tribal Nations of Oklahoma.

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