

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

4 HOUSE  
5 RESOLUTION 1051

By: Randleman

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8                                   AS INTRODUCED

9                   A Resolution recognizing child care providers; and  
10                   declaring May 27, 2024, through June 2, 2024,  
11                   Provider Appreciation Week.

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14                   WHEREAS, Child Care Aware of America and other organizations  
15 nationwide are recognizing child care providers this week; and

16                   WHEREAS, over half the children under the age of six nationwide  
17 are estimated to spend some time in a nonparental care arrangement  
18 on a weekly basis, which provides critical enrichment opportunities,  
19 nurtures development for children of all backgrounds, and is a vital  
20 building block of our state economy; and

21                   WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has created tremendous hardship  
22 for child care providers and the families of Oklahoma who depend on  
23 them and child care providers have continued to meet the needs of  
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1 families while risking their health and financial stability to  
2 remain open; and

3 WHEREAS, Oklahoma recognizes these hardships and has provided  
4 much-needed relief to providers to help sustain the viability of  
5 child care; and

6 WHEREAS, our future depends on the quality of the early  
7 childhood experiences provided to young children today and support  
8 for high-quality child care represents a worthy commitment to our  
9 children's future.

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

12 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives declares May 27,  
13 2024, through June 2, 2024, as Provider Appreciation Week in  
14 Oklahoma and urges all citizens to recognize child care providers  
15 for their important work.

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