

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

HOUSE  
RESOLUTION 1021

By: Goodwin

AS INTRODUCED

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

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

WHEREAS, American allies, the countries of Ukraine and Cameroon are beset with armed conflicts and human rights abuses. We recognize Cameroonians now have challenges of immigration and seek

1 relief and reunification with their family members via the Special  
2 Humanitarian Program; and

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

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

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

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

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