

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

4 HOUSE CONCURRENT
5 RESOLUTION 1011

By: Lawson of the House

and

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 A Concurrent Resolution commemorating April 14, 2025,
11 as Route 66 Day in the State of Oklahoma; recognizing
12 the historic and cultural importance of U.S. Route
13 66; and directing distribution.

14 WHEREAS, U.S. Route 66, also known as the "Mother Road", was
15 established in 1926 and served as a vital artery of American
16 transportation, running from Chicago, Illinois, to Santa Monica,
17 California, with over 400 miles traversing the State of Oklahoma;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Route 66 played a pivotal role in the migration west
20 during the Dust Bowl era, providing a path to opportunity and
21 survival for countless Oklahomans; and

22 WHEREAS, the communities along Route 66 in Oklahoma have long
23 served as vibrant centers of commerce, culture, and hospitality,
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1 offering a unique blend of small-town charm, urban energy, and
2 scenic beauty; and

3 WHEREAS, the route has significantly contributed to Oklahoma's
4 tourism industry, drawing travelers from across the nation and
5 around the world who seek to experience its vintage landmarks,
6 historic motels, neon signs, and iconic diners; and

7 WHEREAS, Oklahoma's rich tribal heritage is deeply woven into
8 the Route 66 experience, with tribal nations preserving and sharing
9 cultural traditions, stories, art, and enterprises along the
10 historic highway; and

11 WHEREAS, Route 66 has become a symbol of Oklahoma's diverse
12 identity, celebrating our state's legacy of resilience, creativity,
13 and community spirit.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
15 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 60TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
16 CONCURRING THEREIN:

17 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature does hereby commemorate April 11,
18 2025, as Route 66 Day, honoring its historical significance,
19 cultural richness, and ongoing impact on the State of Oklahoma.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be
21 distributed to the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department and
22 the Oklahoma Historical Society for appropriate observance and
23 celebration.

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1 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON XXXXX, dated XX-XX-XXXX - DO PASS,
2 As Amended and Coauthored.
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