

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                               STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

4   HOUSE CONCURRENT  
5   RESOLUTION 1016

By: Fugate

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9           A Concurrent Resolution honoring the 50th anniversary  
10          of the Fall of Saigon and end of the Vietnam War;  
11          recognizing the subsequent growth of the Vietnamese  
12          American community, culture, and economic impact in  
13          Oklahoma; and celebrating those who fought for the  
14          freedom of Vietnam and Vietnamese American citizens.

15          WHEREAS, April 30, 2025, marks the 50th anniversary of the Fall  
16          of Saigon, a pivotal moment in world history which marked the end of  
17          the Vietnam War and led to mass displacement of millions of  
18          Vietnamese refugees; and

19          WHEREAS, many Vietnamese families fled their homeland in search  
20          of freedom, safety, and opportunity, enduring perilous journeys and  
21          resettling in countries around the world, including the United  
22          States; and

23          WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma became home to a vibrant  
24          Vietnamese American community that has enriched the state's

1 cultural, economic, and social landscape over the past five decades;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, the Vietnamese American community in Oklahoma,  
4 particularly centered in the Asian District of Oklahoma City and  
5 across the state, has demonstrated exceptional resilience, work  
6 ethic, and civic commitment; and

7 WHEREAS, Vietnamese Americans in Oklahoma have made lasting  
8 contributions as entrepreneurs, educators, medical professionals,  
9 public servants, faith leaders, and community advocates; and

10 WHEREAS, cultural celebrations such as Tet (Vietnamese Lunar New  
11 Year) and the preservation of Vietnamese heritage have strengthened  
12 Oklahoma's multicultural identity and promoted cross-cultural  
13 understanding; and

14 WHEREAS, this 50th anniversary provides an opportunity for all  
15 Oklahomans to reflect on the tragic costs of war, the power of  
16 perseverance, and the enduring values of freedom and democracy; and

17 WHEREAS, in honoring and recognizing our Vietnamese American  
18 Community, the State of Oklahoma continues to recognize the South  
19 Republic Heritage flag (yellow flag with three red stripes) as the  
20 official flag to honor those who have fought for the freedom of  
21 Vietnam and our fellow Vietnamese American citizens of the State of  
22 Oklahoma; and

23 WHEREAS, the 50th anniversary provides an opportunity for all  
24 Oklahomans to reflect on the tragic costs of war, the power of

1 perseverance, and the enduring values of freedom and democracy; and  
2 achievements, and sacrifices of Vietnamese Americans in Oklahoma,  
3 who have become an integral part of this state's story.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
5 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 60TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE  
6 CONCURRING THEREIN:

7 THAT pursuant to the motion of Representative Andy Fugate the  
8 Oklahoma State Legislature extends to the Vietnamese American  
9 Community sincere gratitude and directs this motion to be presented.

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