

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

HOUSE

RESOLUTION 1021

By: Patzkowsky

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution declaring April 22, 2025, as Oklahoma Agriculture Day; recognizing and celebrating agriculture's impact on our state's heritage and economy; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, agriculture is one of Oklahoma's leading industries and its associated production, processing, and marketing sectors combined provide nearly 200,000 jobs and contribute more than \$28 billion to our state's economy; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma ranks fourth nationally with more than 77,000 farms and ranches, utilizing 32.9 million acres of Oklahoma's rich land to provide food, fiber, and other necessities of life to Oklahomans and people across the world; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma is known as the nation's premier spot for wheat production and research, ranking third for winter wheat bushels harvested annually; and

1 WHEREAS, Oklahoma is also America's second-leading provider of
2 beef cows with nearly 2 million head and the third-most cattle
3 operations at more than 43,000, featuring over 4.6 million beef and
4 dairy cattle; and

5 WHEREAS, Oklahoma also ranks as the second-leading provider of
6 rye nationally and is one of the highest producers of soybeans,
7 cotton, poultry, and pork in the United States ; and

8 WHEREAS, agriculture provides a major source of employment for
9 Oklahoma's workforce, with 1-in-50 jobs supported by the pork
10 industry and another 30,000 people employed by the poultry industry;
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12 WHEREAS, the agriculture industry's success is vital to
13 maintaining the strength of Oklahoma's economy, the standard of
14 living for our citizens, and our presence in the world trade market;
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16 WHEREAS, it is important for all Oklahomans to understand the
17 role agriculture plays in their daily lives, whether they live in
18 urban or rural areas.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
20 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 60TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

21 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives declares April 22,
22 2025, as Oklahoma Agriculture Day at the Capitol.

23 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives recognizes and
24 celebrates agriculture's impact on our state's heritage and economy.

1 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Oklahoma
2 Secretary and Commissioner of Agriculture Blayne Arthur.

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