STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 45th Legislature (1995)

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1022

By: Anthony

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution declaring the month of April, 1995, as "Oklahoma Science and Technology Month"; recognizing and supporting science and technology projects and initiatives throughout Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma is recognized among the top states across this great nation for its leadership regarding comprehensive strategies and innovative policy developments in the areas of science and technology; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature has been supportive of the numerous science and technology projects fostered by the Oklahoma

Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST); and

WHEREAS, OCAST has provided, since its inception in 1987, basic

and applied research capital to over 400 Oklahoma businesses; and

WHEREAS, OCAST has been instrumental in enhancing competitiveness, productivity and modernization for many small and medium-sized manufacturing firms and farms throughout the geographic regions of this state; and

WHEREAS, OCAST's investment in science and technology sustains an estimated 3,221 jobs annually throughout the great State of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, it is important to support this level of investment in the science and technology realm in order to ensure that Oklahoma

remains a key player in developing quality-paying, long-lasting jobs that will allow our future generations to remain and raise their families in this great state; and

WHEREAS, emphasizing the study of science and technology in our classrooms enables Oklahoma students to compete more successfully for highly skilled positions in the global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma through OCAST projects currently has an investment of \$269 million in research and development initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the National Science Foundation has declared the week of April 21 through April 29, 1995, as National Science and Technology Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature declares the month of April, 1995, as "Oklahoma Science and Technology Month".

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature supports science and technology initiatives that enable Oklahomans to productively and successfully compete in the global marketplace.

THAT copies of this resolution shall be distributed to Carolyn W. Sales, Ph.D., President, Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology; Hans Brisch, Ph.D., Chancellor of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; Roy V. Peters Jr., Ed.D., Director, State Department of Vocational and Technical Education; and Sandy Garrett, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

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