

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

4 HOUSE

5 RESOLUTION 1014

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution proclaiming April 17, 2019, as the 22nd
9 Annual 4-H Day at the Capitol; and acknowledging the
10 positive impact of Oklahoma 4-H.

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12 WHEREAS, 4-H is the youth development component of the
13 Cooperative Extension Service geared toward young people ages 5 to
14 19; and

15 WHEREAS, 4-H helps youth create their future by providing hands-
16 on learning opportunities to help them develop valuable life skills
17 such as decision making, leadership and citizenship; and

18 WHEREAS, youth involved in 4-H strive to improve the quality of
19 life around the state and work to improve Oklahoma communities for
20 the betterment of all citizens; and

21 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma 4-H Youth Development Program reaches more
22 than 120,000 participants each year through club membership, project
23 clubs and school enrichment programs; and

1 WHEREAS, more than 95,000 club members, as part of the Oklahoma
2 Cooperative Extension Service provided by Oklahoma State University
3 and Langston University, participate in science, technology,
4 engineering and math (STEM) projects; and

5 WHEREAS, youth who participate in 4-H are four times more likely
6 to make contributions to their communities; and

7 WHEREAS, there are nearly 4,200 adult volunteer leaders and more
8 than 900 youth volunteers who give freely of their time to encourage
9 positive youth development and provide leadership to club members;
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11 WHEREAS, 4-H provides programming beyond traditional
12 agricultural projects, including food and nutrition, horticulture,
13 photography, robotics, leadership development, environmental
14 education and more; and

15 WHEREAS, nearly 80,000 4-H'ers participate in healthy living
16 through programs such as Yoga for Kids, Health Rocks and Take a
17 Stand-Bullying Prevention in and out of the classroom through 4-H
18 Youth Development; and

19 WHEREAS, nearly 26,000 participate in civic engagement programs
20 which encourage youth to give back to their communities, become
21 involved in the government and social justice and learn about our
22 nation's history and cultural heritage; and
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1 WHEREAS, youth participating in 4-H are encouraged to share with
2 state leaders how 4-H is making communities better through project
3 work and service learning activities; and

4 WHEREAS, programming in 4-H is changing to continually meet the
5 needs of today's youth; and

6 WHEREAS, 4-H members continue to work together and follow the
7 motto "To Make the Best Better" in all that they do.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 57TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

10 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby proclaims
11 Wednesday, April 17, 2019, as the 22nd Annual 4-H Day at the Capitol
12 in Oklahoma, celebrating youth who have made an impact on their
13 communities and who are stepping up to the challenges of a complex
14 and changing world.

15 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives acknowledges the
16 positive impact Oklahoma 4-H has on our youth, our communities and
17 our state that supports the motto, "We Are Oklahoma 4-H."

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