

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 21

By: Weaver

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution recognizing the first Oklahoma Highway
8 Patrol Tactical Team; and directing distribution.

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10 WHEREAS, during the late 1960s and early 1970s, the Oklahoma
11 Highway Patrol was conducting numerous manhunts for felony escapees
12 and violent criminals on the run from the law; and

13 WHEREAS, there became a need to organize a specialized unit
14 capable of operating as a team and able to go after these offenders
15 in the rural terrain of Oklahoma for extended periods of time; and

16 WHEREAS, a group of troopers were tired of being assigned to the
17 standard roadblocks, unable to leave their units and chase the bad
18 guys into the woods; and

19 WHEREAS, these troopers, many with military backgrounds, started
20 the conversation about the unconventional tactics they learned in
21 the military that could be applied to apprehending fleeing felons;
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23 WHEREAS, they brought their ideas to the Commissioner of the
24 Department of Public Safety at the time, Roger Webb, and he gave his
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1 approval for the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Tactical Team to be formed;
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3 WHEREAS, the first Tactical Team was made up of then DPS
4 Commissioner Roger Webb, John Haynie, Pete Carman, Dutch Schneider,
5 Fred Horn, Perry Floyd, Jim Pischel and the late Darrel Wiemers.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
7 OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

8 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes the outstanding work
9 and dedication of the state's first Oklahoma Highway Patrol Tactical
10 Team.

11 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to former DPS
12 Commissioner Roger Webb, John Haynie, Pete Carman, Dutch Schneider,
13 Fred Horn, Perry Floyd, Jim Pischel and the late Darrel Wiemers'
14 family.

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