

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION 1015

By: Newton of the House
and
Jech of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution to recognize the establishment of OSU Extension and its impact on the State of Oklahoma; and designating the 16th of April as a celebration of its significance over the past 110 years and into the future.

WHEREAS, May 8, 2024, marks the 110th anniversary of the signing of the Smith-Lever Act in the United States Congress, which established Cooperative Extension, the nationwide transformational education system operating through land-grant universities in partnership with federal, state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Smith-Lever Act provided that Cooperative Extension work shall consist of the development of practical applications of research-based knowledge and giving of instruction and demonstration of technologies, and carrying out these functions in the spirit and rich traditions of the land-grant university mission; and

1 WHEREAS, Oklahoma State University Extension, through a network
2 of offices in all 77 counties, provides education and resources in
3 agriculture and natural resources, community economic development,
4 family and consumer sciences, community health, and 4-H Youth
5 Development; and

6 WHEREAS, 12,000 young people in Oklahoma are enrolled 4-H
7 members and 4-H programming through schools and clubs reaches more
8 than 175,000 others; and

9 WHEREAS, dedicated and committed volunteers play a pivotal role
10 in the success of OSU Extension contributing over 236,000 hours of
11 service in 2023; and

12 WHEREAS, OSU Extension, working hand-in-hand with OSU
13 Agriculture, continues to provide Education Everywhere for Everyone.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
15 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
16 CONCURRING THEREIN:

17 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the Oklahoma
18 State Senate, on behalf of the people of the Great State of
19 Oklahoma, as we gather for Agriculture Day at the Capitol on this
20 16th day of April 2024, declare this a celebration of the
21 establishment of OSU Extension, as well as its significance not only
22 over the past 110 years, but now and into the future.

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