Resolution

ENROLLED HOUSE
RESOLUTION NO. 1078

By: Benge, Dorman, Armes, Auffet, Bailey, Banz, Billy, Blackwell, Brannon, Brown, Buck, Cannaday, Carey, Christian, Collins, Coody, Cooksey, Cox, Dank, Denney, Derby, DeWitt, Duncan, Enns, Faught, Fields, Glenn, Hamilton, Harrison, Hickman, Hilliard, Holland, Hoskin, Inman, Jackson, Jett, Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Joyner, Kern, Key, Kiesel, Kirby, Kouplen, Lamons, Liebmann, Luttrell, Martin (Scott), Martin (Steve), McAffrey, McCullough, McDaniel (Jeannie), McDaniel (Randy), McNiel, McPeak, Miller, Moore, Morgan, Morrissette, Murphey, Nations, Nelson, Ortega, Osborn, Ownbey, Peters, Peterson, Pittman, Proctor, Pruett, Renegar, Reynolds, Richardson, Ritze, Roan, Rousselot, Russ, Sanders, Schwartz, Scott, Sears, Shannon, Shelton, Sherrer, Shoemake, Shumate, Smithson, Steele, Sullivan, Terrill, Thompson, Thomsen, Tibbs, Trebilcock, Walker, Watson, Wesselhoft, Williams, Wright (Harold) and Wright (John)

A Resolution congratulating Larry Watkins on the occasion of his retirement; commending him for outstanding service; wishing him success in future endeavors; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Larry Watkins graduated from Purcell High School and received a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural education from Oklahoma State University; and

WHEREAS, he proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1969 to 1971; and

WHEREAS, Watkins began his service to rural Oklahoma when he became an outstanding vocational agriculture teacher at Purcell High School in 1971; and

WHEREAS, he continued his promotion of rural Oklahoma while serving as Director of Agricultural Development at the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce from 1976 to 1979; and

WHEREAS, he joined the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives in 1979 as Director of Legislative Affairs and since 1984 has served as General Manager; and

WHEREAS, Watkins has served on the OSU Dean's Advisory Committee and the boards of the OSU Agriculture Education Scholarship Foundation and Rural Enterprises, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, he was named OSU College of Agriculture's Distinguished Alumnus in 2003; and

WHEREAS, he represented Oklahoma in a leadership initiative mission to the USSR and was selected by Rotary International to the group study exchange team in England; and

WHEREAS, Watkins and his wife, Natalea, have a son, Burke, a daughter, Jennifer, and three granddaughters; and

WHEREAS, after thirty years of dedicated service, Watkins recently retired from the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the House of Representatives of the State of Oklahoma extends congratulations to Larry Watkins upon the occasion of his retirement.

THAT the House of Representatives of the State of Oklahoma commends him for his outstanding service to the State of Oklahoma, and wishes him much success, health, and happiness in all his future endeavors.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Larry Watkins.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 5th day of April, 2010.

Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this 6th **day of** April, **20** 10,

at 10:29 **o'clock** A **M.**

By: M. Susan Lowry