

Resolution

ENROLLED HOUSE

CONCURRENT

RESOLUTION NO. 1018

By: Young, Banz, Bennett, Biggs, Billy, Brown, Brumbaugh, Caldwell, Calvey, Cannaday, Casey, Christian, Cleveland, Cockroft, Condit, Coody (Ann), Coody (Jeff), Cooksey, Cox, Denney, Derby, Dunlap, Dunnington, Echols, Enns, Faught, Fisher, Fourkiller, Goodwin, Grau, Griffith, Hall, Hardin, Henke, Hickman, Hoskin, Inman, Johnson, Jordan, Joyner, Kannady, Kern, Kirby, Kouplen, Leewright, Lepak, Lockhart, Loring, Martin, McBride, McCall, McCullough, McDaniel (Jeannie), McDaniel (Randy), McPeak, Montgomery, Moore, Morrisette, Mulready, Munson, Murdock, Murphey, Nelson, Newell, Nollan, O'Donnell, Ortega, Osborn, Ownbey, Park, Perryman, Peterson, Pfeiffer, Proctor, Pruett, Renegar, Ritze, Roberts (Dustin), Roberts (Sean), Rogers, Rousselot, Russ, Sanders, Scott, Sears, Shelton, Sherrer, Shoemake, Stone, Strohm, Tadlock, Thomsen, Vaughan, Virgin, Walker, Wallace, Watson, Wesselhoft, Williams, Wood and Wright of the House

and

Floyd of the Senate

A Resolution expressing appreciation and best wishes for the American Red Cross; recognizing March as American Red Cross month; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, created by Clara Barton in 1881, the American Red Cross has evolved to be a charitable organization that is unmatched in terms of its volunteer support, its core membership, and its historic tradition as a force of goodwill and humanitarianism in the face of crisis; and

WHEREAS, today's American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization led by volunteers who provide relief to victims of disasters and who aid in the prevention, preparation, and response to emergencies. Every day and night, across Oklahoma, the American Red Cross responded to man-made and natural disasters, offered emergency communications to our servicemembers in Armed Forces and their families, provided training for disaster preparedness, health and safety for our citizens and provided lifesaving blood to patients in need. This state is a safe and more prepared place because of this respected institution and its selfless volunteers; and

WHEREAS, in 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared the month of March 1943 "Red Cross Month", and this tradition of yearly Presidential Proclamations has since stood as a proud and unwavering symbol of this country's determined volunteer spirit and its most noble ideals; and

WHEREAS, this Honorable Body commends the American Red Cross, including the esteemed chapters in Oklahoma, and honors each President's declaration of March as American Red Cross Month. This Body also commends the volunteers of the American Red Cross, both in this great state and across this nation, and expresses appreciation for their service and dedication to the greater good.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature expresses its profound appreciation for the founders and volunteers of the American Red Cross across Oklahoma and the rest of the country, and wishes the organization the very best in its ongoing pursuit of a better, safer, and healthier world.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature, in accordance with the Proclamation of President Barack Obama, recognizes March as American Red Cross Month, and proudly observes and acknowledges the American

Red Cross as a vital force in Oklahoma's response to emergencies and natural and man-made disasters.

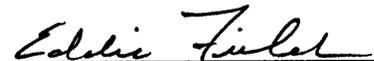
THAT a copy of this resolution shall be distributed to Bonnie McElveen-Hunter, Chairman, Board of Governors, American Red Cross, Gail J. McGovern, President and Chief Executive Officer, American Red Cross, and Brad Barghols, Chief Executive Officer, American Red Cross serving Oklahoma and Arkansas.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 3rd day of March, 2016.



Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Adopted by the Senate the 3rd day of March, 2016.



Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
Received by the Secretary of State this
7th day of March, 2016,
at 2:15 o'clock P.M.
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