

Resolution

ENROLLED HOUSE
RESOLUTION NO. 1052

By: Young

A Resolution proclaiming April 5, 2016, as National Service Recognition Day; congratulating and commending AmeriCorps and Senior Corps; and encouraging residents to recognize positive impact of national service; and providing for distribution.

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's communities are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet critical needs; and

WHEREAS, participants in AmeriCorps and Senior Corps address some of the most pressing challenges facing Oklahoma including responding to the Moore tornadoes and other disasters; working to eliminate hunger through the Regional Food Bank; providing education, language and cultural preservation and nutrition and health services to Oklahoma's Native American communities; and strengthening academic performance for Oklahoma students; and working with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP); and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 1,400 locations across the state, bolstering the civic, neighborhood and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our state's economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, more than 7,400 national service participants of all ages and backgrounds serve in Oklahoma providing vital support to state residents and improving the quality of life in our state; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the

return on taxpayer dollars, including more than \$33,250,000 in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with city, county and state officials nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives and strengthen communities.

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

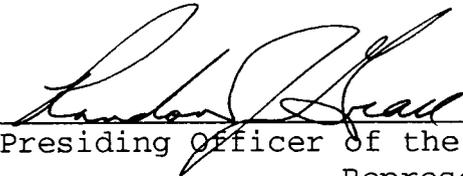
THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby proclaims April 5, 2016, as National Service Recognition Day in the State of Oklahoma.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives congratulates and commends AmeriCorps and Senior Corps.

THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives encourages residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our state, to thank those who serve and to find ways to give back to their communities.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Theresa D. Long, Oklahoma State Director of the Corporation for National and Community Service, and Melinda Points, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Community Service Commission.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 5th day of April, 2016.


Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 6th
day of April, 20 16, at 1:59 o'clock P. M.
By: Chi Benz