

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 CONCURRENT  
3 RESOLUTION NO. 1003

By: Kannady, Provenzano and  
Stark of the House

and

Rosino of the Senate

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7 A Concurrent Resolution mourning the loss of  
8 Oklahomans due to COVID-19; expressing condolences to  
9 those who have lost friends and family and asking for  
10 prayers on behalf of all Oklahomans impacted by the  
11 pandemic.

12 WHEREAS, Oklahoma's first major public health challenge occurred  
13 just 11 years after statehood, in 1918, with the outbreak of the  
14 state's first cases of what was commonly called the Spanish  
15 influenza, a pandemic that had already been rampant in Europe; and

16 WHEREAS, between October 1, 1918, and April 1, 1919, a reported  
17 7,350 Oklahomans died of Spanish influenza and related secondary  
18 infections; and

19 WHEREAS, just over 100 years later on March 6, 2020, Oklahoma  
20 once again was impacted by a global pandemic, with the state's first  
21 case of COVID-19 announced by Governor Kevin Stitt, the Oklahoma  
22 State Department of Health and the Tulsa Health Department; and

23 WHEREAS, the state's first COVID-19 death occurred on March 18,  
24 2020; and

1           WHEREAS, nearly three years later, the death toll has approached  
2 nearly 18,000 Oklahoma parents, grandparents, children, friends and  
3 co-workers.

4           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
5 OF THE 1st SESSION OF THE 59th OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE  
6 CONCURRING THEREIN;

7           THAT the Oklahoma Legislature joins the citizens of this state  
8 in mourning those lives lost.

9           THAT the Oklahoma Legislature expresses its deepest condolences  
10 to all who have lost friends and loved ones.

11          THAT the Oklahoma Legislature asks for continuing prayers for  
12 all who have been impacted by the pandemic.

13          Adopted by the House of Representatives the 6th day of March,  
14 2023.

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Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

18          Adopted by the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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