

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 CONCURRENT
3 RESOLUTION NO. 10

By: Thompson, Allen, Bergstrom,
Boren, Brooks, Bullard,
Burns, Coleman, Daniels,
David, Dossett (J.A.),
Dossett (J.J.), Dugger,
Floyd, Garvin, Hall,
Hamilton, Haste, Hicks,
Howard, Jech, Jett, Kidd,
Kirt, Leewright, Matthews,
McCortney, Merrick,
Montgomery, Murdock,
Newhouse, Paxton, Pederson,
Pemberton, Pugh, Quinn,
Rader, Rogers, Rosino,
Simpson, Standridge,
Stanley, Stephens, Taylor,
Treat, Weaver and Young of
the Senate

and

McBride and Echols of the
House

15 A Concurrent Resolution honoring the service of Dr.
16 Glen D. Johnson, Chancellor of the Oklahoma State
17 System of Higher Education; expressing thanks and
18 wishing him well in his retirement; and directing
19 distribution.

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Glen D. Johnson became the eighth Chancellor of the
20 Oklahoma State System of Higher Education in January 2007, after a
21 national search. He has provided leadership on matters relating to
22 standards for Oklahoma higher education, courses and programs of
23 study, budget allocations for institutions, fees and tuition, and
24 strategic planning. Johnson is responsible for an annual higher

1 education budget in excess of \$2.4 billion, and oversees numerous
2 programs, which are integral to the support of Oklahoma's higher
3 education system; and

4 WHEREAS, Johnson had previously served as the 16th president of
5 Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant for 10 years.
6 During his tenure, Johnson initiated the President's Leadership
7 Class and the President's Partners donor program. Among his many
8 accomplishments there, he implemented an \$85 million capital
9 campaign for the campus; and

10 WHEREAS, Johnson previously served as director of public policy
11 and adjunct professor of law at the University of Oklahoma College
12 of Law; and

13 WHEREAS, prior to his work at OU, Johnson served in the Oklahoma
14 House of Representatives from 1982 to 1996 and he was the Speaker of
15 the House for three terms from 1990 to 1996. At the time of his
16 election as Speaker, he was the youngest-sitting Speaker in the
17 United States. Prior to that, he served in several key leadership
18 positions including House Majority Floor Leader; House
19 Appropriations and Budget Committee Chair; House Majority Caucus
20 Chair; and House Judiciary Committee Chair. In 1980, Johnson was
21 elected as a member of the Okemah Board of Education; and

22 WHEREAS, Johnson was born into a family dedicated to public
23 service. He's the son of former United States Congressman Glen D.
24 Johnson Sr. and Imogene Johnson. Johnson's wife, Melinda is a

1 recently retired classroom teacher from Edmond Memorial High School;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, throughout Johnson's career, he has championed
4 education at every level in Oklahoma, recognized both statewide and
5 nationally as a strong, untiring advocate for funding for education.
6 As Chancellor, he has represented Oklahoma well through his
7 leadership positions with numerous national organizations including
8 the State Higher Education Executive Officers Association, the
9 Southern Regional Education Board, the American Association of State
10 Colleges and Universities and the Association of Governing Boards of
11 Universities and Colleges. He is currently the longest-serving
12 chancellor/system-head in the nation; and

13 WHEREAS, Chancellor Glen D. Johnson has been the recipient of
14 numerous awards and recognitions throughout his career including
15 induction into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame, Oklahoma's highest honor,
16 in 2006 and induction into the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of
17 Fame in 2016. He also was the recipient of the State Higher
18 Education Executive Officers' Association (SHEEO) Exceptional Leader
19 Award honoring the outstanding higher education chancellor/system-
20 head in the nation in 2019 and Leadership Oklahoma's Lifetime
21 Achievement Award in 2020.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
23 OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
24 CONCURRING THEREIN:

