

1 candidates for public office, as public officeholders, what they
2 will do to improve the lives of children; and

3 WHEREAS, the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study (ACEs Study) is
4 a research study that demonstrates an association of adverse
5 childhood trauma with health and social problems experienced as an
6 adult; and

7 WHEREAS, Oklahomans have historically experienced many of the
8 traumas included in the ACEs Study, including: physical abuse,
9 sexual abuse, emotional abuse, physical neglect, emotional neglect,
10 domestic violence, household substance abuse, household mental
11 illness, parental separation or divorce and incarcerated household
12 member resulting in poor health for adults including depression,
13 heart disease, cancer, chronic lung disease and shortened lifespan;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Oklahoma youth and children's organizations invite all
16 Oklahomans to join them in working on "2018 - Oklahoma Year of the
17 Child", which seeks to raise awareness and find solutions to the
18 problems facing the children of our state.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
20 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
21 CONCURRING THEREIN:

22 THAT 2018 be designated as the "Year of the Child in Oklahoma"
23 and that all Oklahomans be urged to consider and address the issues
24 facing Oklahoma children.

1 THAT copies of this Concurrent Resolution be provided to the
2 Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy, the Oklahoma Commission on
3 Children and Youth and the Oklahoma Department of Human Services.
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