## 1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION 2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024) 3 4 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1016 By: Hilbert, Talley, Ranson, 5 Burns, and Bashore of the House 6 and 7 Dugger and Hall of the Senate 8 9 10 11 AS INTRODUCED 12 A Concurrent Resolution recognizing Oklahoma State University Coach John Smith's accomplishments and 1.3 work in collegiate wrestling. 14 15 WHEREAS, in 1992, John Smith became the head wrestling coach at 16 Oklahoma State University (OSU) where OSU produced five NCAA team 17 championships, 33 NCAA individual championships, 490 dual wins, 153 18 All-America honors, 23 team conference championships, 132 individual 19 conference championships and two Hodge Trophy winners; and 20 WHEREAS, Coach Smith's accomplishments place him among the top 21 coaches in the history of the sport; and 22 WHEREAS, Coach Smith's 490-73-6 career dual record gives him the 23 most wins in school history and the third-most wins in the history 24 of Division I wrestling; and

1 WHEREAS, Coach Smith's numbers for All-Americans, conference 2 championships, and individual conference champions are the most at OSU by a wide margin and are believed to be the most in NCAA 3 4 wrestling history; and 5 WHEREAS, Coach Smith also coached at the world level, coaching Team USA at the Olympics in 2000 and 2012, at the World 6 7 Championships in 1998, 2009, 2010, and 2011, at the World Cup in 1997, and coaching the USA Women's Cadet World Team in 2018; and 8 9 WHEREAS, prior to taking over as Oklahoma State head coach, 10 Coach Smith put together a wrestling career that squarely places him 11 in the conversation for the greatest American wrestler ever; and 12 WHEREAS, Coach Smith won six consecutive world championships as 13 a competitor from 1987 to 1992, including gold medals at the 1988 14 Olympic Games in Seoul, gold medals at the 1992 Olympic Games in 15 Barcelona, two gold medals in two attempts at the Pan American 16 Games, two gold medals in two attempts at the Goodwill Games, and 17 two NCAA individual championships for Oklahoma State; and 18 WHEREAS, Coach Smith's Cowboy wrestling career also included 19 three All-America honors, three conference championships, the NWCA 20 Collegiate Wrestler of the Year award, and more than 150 career wins 21 to rank as the most in program history; and 22 WHEREAS, Smith is a Distinguished Member of the National 23 Wrestling Hall of Fame, a two-time selection as the National

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1	Wrestling Coaches Association coach of the year, and a 15-time
2	selection as conference coach of the year; and
3	WHEREAS, Coach Smith was also the first wrestler to be inducted
4	into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame and is a member of the Oklahoma
5	Sports Hall of Fame.
6	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
7	OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE
8	CONCURRING THEREIN:
9	THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the Oklahoma
LO	State Senate join in recognizing the many accomplishments of Coach
1	John Smith and his impact on wrestling, and to extend sincere
12	appreciation for his work and dedication.
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