## Resolution

ENROLLED HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1034

By: Martinez, Babinec, Baker, Bennett (Forrest), Bennett (John), Blancett, Boles, Bush, Caldwell, Calvey, Cannaday, Casey, Cleveland, Cockroft, Condit, Coody, Derby, Dollens, Downing, Dunlap, Dunnington, Echols, Enns, Faught, Fetgatter, Ford (Roger), Ford (Ross), Fourkiller, Frix, Gaddis, Gann, Goodwin, Griffith, Hall, Hardin, Henke, Hilbert, Hoskin, Humphrey, Inman, Jordan, Kannady, Kerbs, Kouplen, Lawson, Lepak, Loring, Lowe, McBride, McCall, McDaniel, McDugle, McEachin, McEntire, Meredith, Montgomery, Moore, Mulready, Munson, Murphey, Newton, Nichols, Nollan, O'Donnell, Ortega, Osborn (Leslie), Osburn (Mike), Ownbey, Park, Perryman, Pfeiffer, Proctor, Renegar, Ritze, Roberts (Dustin), Roberts (Sean), Rogers, Rosecrants, Russ, Sanders, Sears, Stone, Strohm, Tadlock, Taylor, Teague, Thomsen, Vaughan, Virgin, Walke, Wallace, Watson, West (Josh), West (Kevin), West (Rick), West (Tammy), Williams, Worthen, Wright and Young

A Resolution declaring May 1, 2018, as the Second Hispanic Cultural Day in Oklahoma; recognizing the heritage and culture of Hispanics and the immense contributions of Hispanics to the State of Oklahoma.

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma celebrates the Second Hispanic Cultural Day on May 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics or Latinos are those people who identify their origin as heritage, nationality group, lineage, or country of birth of the person or the person's parents or ancestors before their arrival in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Spanish-speaking countries include Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, México, Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay, Perú, Spain, Uruguay, Venezuela and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics have been a part of the geography and history of Oklahoma since the sixteenth century when Spain initially claimed Oklahoma, particularly the Oklahoma Panhandle; and

WHEREAS, the first exploration was led by the Spanish Francisco Vásquez Coronado and his army in 1541 on their trek to conquer the Seven Cities of Cibola or Quivira (actually Cimarron County); and

WHEREAS, the majority population of Hispanics in Oklahoma are in the cities of Oklahoma City, Tulsa and Guymon; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics have trekked to the State of Oklahoma with hope for better lives than the ones they left behind; and

WHEREAS, the southern portion of Oklahoma City and adjacent metro areas have full Spanish-language billboard advertisements; and

WHEREAS, the influence of Hispanics in Oklahoma is a spontaneous result of the combination of their perseverance through hard times, and the innate yearning to establish a sense of place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT all Oklahomans celebrate the heritage and culture of Hispanics in Oklahoma and recognize the immense contributions of Hispanics to this state.

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Adopted by the House of Representatives the 1st day of May,