

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

4 HOUSE
5 RESOLUTION 1073

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution recognizing and commending Farm Credit
9 and certain local offices for 100 years of support
10 and service to the agricultural community.

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13 WHEREAS, Farm Credit was established by Congress in 1916 and is
14 one of the nation's oldest financial institutions and has been
15 dedicated to supporting farmers and ranchers in Oklahoma and
16 nationwide for the past 100 years; and

17 WHEREAS, Farm Credit was created to provide a dependable source
18 of financing and financial services for agricultural purposes and a
19 variety of Farm Credit institutions make loans to farmers, ranchers,
20 co-ops and agribusinesses in Oklahoma; and

21 WHEREAS, the Farm Credit System is the only major agricultural
22 lender that is locally owned and operated and the borrowers in the
23 local Farm Credit offices in Oklahoma are the members that elect the
24 board of directors that govern the lending institutions; and

1 WHEREAS, this cooperative structure allows the local members to
2 understand the businesses, community and market in Oklahoma while
3 still enjoying the financial strength and stability of a nationwide
4 system; and

5 WHEREAS, the future of agriculture depends on the financial
6 success of young and beginning producers, and the diversity of the
7 agricultural products enjoyed depends in part on the financial
8 success of small producers. Farm Credit has served the credit needs
9 of young and beginning producers in Oklahoma through its Young,
10 Beginning and Small Farmer and Rancher Program.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

13 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives recognizes and
14 commends Farm Credit, and especially local Farm Credit offices in
15 Oklahoma, Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma, Oklahoma AgCredit, Farm
16 Credit of Enid, AgPreference and American AgCredit, for 100 years of
17 support and service to the agricultural community in Oklahoma and
18 nationwide.

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