

# Oklahoma Board of Corrections

# Resolution

## of Condolence

**WHEREAS**, the Oklahoma Board of Corrections has learned with great sorrow of the death of former board member James Boykin, who served on the Oklahoma Board of Corrections from May 1997 to May 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oklahoma Board of Corrections acknowledges the profound public service of James Boykin, who served distinctly in the capacities of secretary, vice chair and chair during his six year tenure on the board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oklahoma Department of Corrections and the Oklahoma Board of Corrections greatly benefitted from the experience and expertise of James Boykin, whose medical background as a retired physician's assistant contributed to resolution of a 28 year old federal lawsuit, *Williams (formerly Battle's) vs. Saffle*; and

**WHEREAS**, James Boykin was an active and effective member of the Oklahoma Board of Corrections and contributed to the efficiency and betterment of the operations of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections; and

**WHEREAS**, James Boykin was a true friend of Corrections with genuine care and concern for the Oklahoma Department of Corrections, its employees and offenders:

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the Oklahoma Board of Corrections does hereby acknowledge the leadership, support, and service of James Boykin and expresses deepest sympathy to his wife, Elnora, children, and other family members and friends upon his passing.

**ADOPTED** this 13th day of November 2009.

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Earnest Ware, Chair

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Ted Logan, Vice Chair

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Matthew Hunter McBee, Secretary

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Linda K. Neal, Member

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Robert Lee Rainey, Member

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Jerry L. Smith, Member