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## **Representative Jim Grego receives the OCA Legislative Appreciation Award**

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA., July 26, 2022 – Representative Jim Grego, District 17, received the Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association's Legislative Appreciation Award last Saturday evening.

In the Oklahoma legislature, the OCA honors legislators who have worked hard to protect and promote the Oklahoma beef cattle industry. OCA is at the Capitol every day of the legislative session to work with legislators passing and blocking key legislation relative to the beef cattle industry.

“OCA is fortunate to have many friends in the Legislature that understand the importance of the beef cattle industry in Oklahoma,” said Michael Kelsey, OCA Executive Vice President.

Representative Jim Grego was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives in 2018. His district covers Latimer and parts of Le Flore and Pittsburg counties. Representative Grego is a member of the House Agriculture & Rural Development Committee and is a strong voice for agriculture in the House on all issues. Recently, he has dedicated himself to protecting the Agriculture Sales Tax Exemption by promoting a more robust but easier qualification process.

“Representative Grego is a cattle and hay producer recognizing the daily challenges and opportunities in rural Oklahoma,” said Kelsey. “He is a strong and reliable voice in the Oklahoma House for agriculture and beef production.”

The 70th Annual OCA Convention and Trade Show was held July 22 and 23 at the Embassy Suites in Norman, Okla. The event is held in conjunction with the Oklahoma CattleWomen, Inc., and the Oklahoma Junior Cattlemen’s Association’s Annual Meetings. The OCA Convention and Trade Show is the largest annual gathering of beef producers in Oklahoma. Cattlemen and women come together to create policy, listen to informative speakers, celebrate industry accomplishments, and recognize individuals and groups, like the Representative Mize, who contribute to the success of the OCA.

The OCA is the trusted voice of the Oklahoma Cattle Industry. OCA is the only voice that speaks solely for the cattlemen of Oklahoma and represents beef producers in all 77 counties across the state. The OCA officers, board of directors and membership encourages you to join us in our advocacy efforts to ensure less government intervention, lower taxes and a better bottom line. For more information about OCA membership, the theft reward program or activities call 405-235-4391 or visit [www.okcattlemen.org](http://www.okcattlemen.org).

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**Photo Cutline:** Senator Brent Howard was honored with the Legislative Appreciation Award at the OCA Awards Banquet. (L-R) Representative Jim Grego along with his wife Sandy and OCA board President Byron Yeoman.