

Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 88

By: Johnson (Constance),
Adelson, Aldridge,
Anderson, Ballenger,
Barrington, Bass, Bingman,
Branan, Brogdon, Brown,
Burrage, Coates, Coffee,
Corn, Crain, Crutchfield,
Easley, Eason McIntyre,
Ellis, Ford, Garrison,
Gumm, Halligan, Ivester,
Johnson (Mike), Jolley,
Justice, Lamb, Laster,
Leftwich, Lerblance,
Marlatt, Mazzei, Myers,
Newberry, Nichols, Paddack,
Reynolds, Rice, Russell,
Schulz, Sparks,
Stanislowski, Sweeden,
Sykes, Wilson and Wyrick

A Resolution thanking Sheila Ford for her service;
wishing her well upon the occasion of her retirement;
and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Sheila Ford, a graduate of Texarkana High School, went to work at the Oklahoma State Election Board on March 21, 1975. During the next 35 years, with an occasional break in service, Sheila Ford worked for either the Oklahoma State Election Board or the Oklahoma State Senate. Although she occasionally traveled elsewhere, Sheila always returned to the arms of her friends at the Oklahoma State Capitol. She was the first African American hired by the Oklahoma State Election Board. After she temporarily retired,

the Secretary of the Election Board personally asked her to return because she was such a diligent, hard worker; and

WHEREAS, Sheila Ford is well known for her love of family, friends, and a long, bright colorful car known to all as "The Yellow Banana". Although Sheila Ford has an associate's degree from Rose State College and a bachelor's degree in information technology from the University of Central Oklahoma, an inspection of her well-manicured lawn suggests that, besides computing, she is a talented landscape architect as well; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate thanks Sheila Ford for 35 years of dedicated service to the Oklahoma State Election Board and the Oklahoma State Senate and designates Thursday, February 25, 2010, "Sheila Ford Appreciation Day" in the Oklahoma State Capitol.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate wishes Sheila Ford the very best during her well-earned retirement.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Sheila Ford; her daughter, Nikki Davis; her grandchildren, Rodney Cole, Jr., and Taryn Cole; and her sisters who also work at the Oklahoma State Capitol, Belinda Martin and Juanita Ellis.

Adopted by the Senate the 25th day of February, 2010.


Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this _____

1st day of March, 2010,

at 2:07 o'clock P. M.

By: M. Susan Savage