Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 15

By: Reynolds, Adelson, Aldridge, Allen, Anderson, Ballenger, Barrington, Bass, Bingman, Branan, Brecheen, Brinkley, Brown, Burrage, Coates, Crain, David, Eason McIntyre, Ellis, Fields, Ford, Garrison, Halligan, Holt, Ivester, Johnson (Constance), Johnson (Rob), Jolley, Justice, Laster, Lerblance, Marlatt, Mazzei, Myers, Newberry, Nichols, Paddack, Rice, Russell, Schulz, Shortey, Simpson, Sparks, Stanislawski, Sykes, Treat, Wilson and Wyrick

A Resolution commending Start Helping Impacted Neighborhoods Everywhere program; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the SHINE program created by Oklahoma County Commissioner Brian Maughan has become a model for community service and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, SHINE stands for Start Helping Impacted Neighborhoods Everywhere and operates by diverting low-level offenders to supervised community service; and

WHEREAS, during its first year of operation in 2010, SHINE effectively reduced the Oklahoma County Jail population by an average of 80 inmates per day while diverting them to worthy

community projects like litter and brush removal and graffiti eradication; and

WHEREAS, SHINE program participants have performed at least 23,000 hours of community service through March, 2011; and

WHEREAS, SHINE has saved taxpayer dollars in at least two ways, by reducing inmate populations and performing needed public services to neighborhoods throughout Oklahoma County; and

WHEREAS, SHINE has now expanded to include SHINE for Students which awards special recognition to Oklahoma County high school and college students who perform at least 100 hours of community service during their school careers,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends Oklahoma County Commissioner Brian Maughan, District Attorney David Prater, Oklahoma County judges and Oklahoma County Office of Public Defender Bob Ravitz for creating this valuable model program.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to County Commissioner Brian Maughan, District Attorney David Prater, each Oklahoma County district court judge and Oklahoma County Public Defender Bob Ravitz.

Adopted by the Senate the 25th day of April, 2011.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this 26th **day of** April, **20** 11,
at 1:13 **o'clock** P. **M.**

By: Michelle R Day