Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 45

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

A Resolution recognizing March 27, 2012, as Cherokee Nation Legislative Day at the Capitol; commending the Cherokee Nation's spirit of survival and perseverance; recognizing the Cherokee Nation's commitment to the State of Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Tuesday, March 27, 2012, has been proclaimed Cherokee Nation Day in the State of Oklahoma by Governor Mary Fallin recognizing the Cherokee Nation's steadfast commitment and tremendous economic contributions to the state for over 160 years; and

WHEREAS, because of the special relationship the State of Oklahoma has had with the Cherokee Nation, the tribe is recognized on the Oklahoma State Seal; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation is the second largest federally recognized tribe in the nation and the largest federally recognized tribe in the state with over 180,000 citizens residing in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee People value honor, education and personal self-reliance, and the Cherokee Nation strives to achieve and maintain an enriching cultural identity, economic self-reliance, and a strong government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes Tuesday, March 27, 2012, as the 12th Annual Cherokee Nation Legislative Day at the State Capitol.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends the Cherokee Nation for its spirit of survival and perseverance to provide a legacy for those who follow through the accomplishments of its Statesmen and women, past and present.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes and sincerely appreciates the Cherokee Nation's commitment to the State of Oklahoma.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Cherokee Principal Chief Bill John Baker.

Adopted by the Senate the 27th day of March, 2012.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this 28th **day of** March, **20** 12,

at 2:06 **o'clock** P **M.**

By: Michelle R. Day