Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 73

By: Holt, Aldridge, Allen, Anderson, Ballenger, Barrington, Bass, Bingman, Boggs, Branan, Brecheen, Brinkley, Brooks, Brown, Burrage, Coates, Crain, Dahm, David, Ellis, Fields, Ford, Garrison, Griffin, Halligan, Ivester, Johnson (Constance), Johnson (Rob), Jolley, Justice, Loveless, Marlatt, Mazzei, McAffrey, Newberry, Paddack, Schulz, Sharp, Shaw, Shortey, Shumate, Simpson, Sparks, Standridge, Stanislawski, Sykes, Treat and Wyrick

A Resolution congratulating Oklahoma City on its 125th birthday; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City celebrates its 125th birthday on April 22, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City was settled in a single day, April 22, 1889, when 10,000 Boomers walked, ran, rode horses, drove wagons, and rode the rails to acquire free public land. City leaders and builders turned the railroad watering stop into a bustling commercial and transportation hub; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City took shape from these simple beginnings in 1889 with some milestones along the way. In 1910, the voters of Oklahoma chose Oklahoma City as the capital of our new state. In

1927, local citizens voted to change the city charter to adopt a council-manager form of government; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City continued to grow as a center for the oil and gas industry, as well as a center for commerce, trade and America's defense; and

WHEREAS, after reeling from economic decline in the 1980s, Oklahoma City created the MAPS program in 1993 to provide investment in the city core; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Oklahoma City pulled together and recovered from one of the worst acts of domestic terrorism in our nation's history on April 19, 1995; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City residents have continued to invest in capital projects that add to the city's quality of life, like MAPS for Kids and MAPS 3. Symbolic of its recent renaissance, Oklahoma City is now home to the world-renowned Thunder of the National Basketball Association; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City is bringing citizens together from all over the state this week to celebrate its 125th birthday.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate, on behalf of all citizens of this state, congratulates Oklahoma City as it marks its 125th birthday.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Oklahoma City Mayor Mick Cornett.

Adopted by the Senate the 21st day of April, 2014.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 22nd day of April, 20 14, at 11:06 o'clock A. M.

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