

# Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE  
RESOLUTION NO. 80

By: Bingman, Schulz, Allen,  
Anderson, Barrington, Bass,  
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David, Dossett, Fields,  
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Halligan, Holt, Jech,  
Jolley, Justice, Loveless,  
Marlatt, Matthews, Mazzei,  
Newberry, Paddack, Pittman,  
Quinn, Sharp, Shaw,  
Shortey, Silk, Simpson,  
Smalley, Sparks,  
Standridge, Stanislowski,  
Sykes, Thompson, Treat,  
Wyrick and Yen

A Resolution expressing gratitude to Senator Earl Garrison for his service in the Oklahoma State Senate; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Senator Earl Garrison is completing his twelfth year of service to the citizens of District 9 in the Oklahoma State Senate; and

WHEREAS, Earl Garrison was born on May 24, 1941, in Muskogee, Oklahoma. He holds a doctorate degree in education from the University of Oklahoma. He has been employed as an educator in the Mid-Del School System and Rose State College. He also served in the capacity of an accreditation officer with the State Department of Education and eventually as superintendent of the Fort Gibson School System and Indian Capital Career Tech.

WHEREAS, Earl Garrison was a member of the first post-term-limits class of 2004, and has been a member of the Oklahoma State Senate since that time, serving first in the majority, then in the evenly-divided Senate and eventually in the minority. Senator Garrison serves on several Senate standing committees, including Appropriations, Education, Rules, Tourism and Wildlife and Veterans and Military Affairs; and

WHEREAS, State Question 632, adopted September 18, 1990, and effective January 1, 1991, limits the length of service for a member of the Legislature to a total of twelve years and as a result, Senator Garrison will not be eligible to stand for reelection this year; and

WHEREAS, Earl Garrison served as a member with purpose, bringing his experience in public education to the table as an advocate for excellence. He will be remembered for his moderate temperament and delivery and for always speaking with meaning and conviction (in a resonant baritone voice). You knew where he stood on an issue, and he supported his positions with a foundation of good, old common sense.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate, on behalf of the citizens of Senate District 9 and all citizens of this state, expresses its gratitude to Senator Earl Garrison for his service in the Oklahoma State Senate.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Senator Earl Garrison.

Adopted by the Senate the 26th day of May, 2016.

  
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Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 26<sup>th</sup>  
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