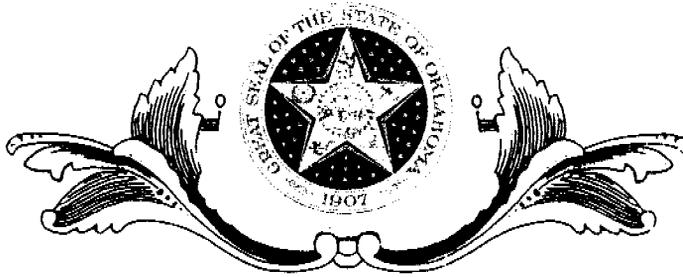


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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
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Whereas, transportation touches the lives of every person in Oklahoma; and

Whereas, the Highway Department was created by legislation on March 16, 1911; and

Whereas, on June 15, 1911, the act establishing the State Department of Highways became effective; and

Whereas, Sydney Suggs, the first State Highway Commissioner, laid the groundwork for highways in Oklahoma that is still being carried on today; and

Whereas, in 1924, the first three-member State Highway Commission was created to oversee the State Highway Department, which in 1925 published the first official State Highway Map for public use; and

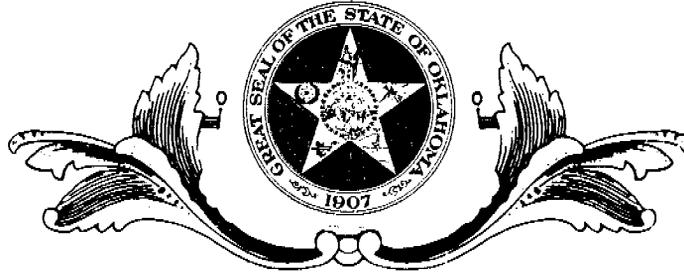
Whereas, the first chairman of the State Highway Commission was Cyrus S. Avery, of Tulsa, who is known as the Father of Route 66 and who helped create the nation's highway numbering system; and

Whereas, Oklahoma pioneered the practice of community involvement in the location and design of interstate highways, and Oklahoma pioneers developed the original design of the United States Department of Transportation seal and other travel-related improvements, such as the yield sign, the parking meter, the space suit and the Pikepass – all now used worldwide; and

Whereas, modern transportation in Oklahoma has been nurtured by the Oklahoma State Highway Department that evolved into the Oklahoma Department of Transportation in 1976; and

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Whereas, the Highway Department progressed through the years with highway designations, safety features, construction and maintenance into a super highway system; and

Whereas, Route 66, and Interstates 35, 40 and 44 have all made Oklahoma the Crossroads of America's highways; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma Department of Transportation continues its commitment to the public of improving the state's highways, interstates and intermodal system of railroads, waterways and transit; and

Whereas, the mission of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation is to provide a safe, economical and effective transportation network for the people, commerce and communities of Oklahoma;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, in honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation in 2011, do hereby proclaim this year as

"Celebrate Transportation Year"

in the State of Oklahoma, and encourage all citizens to celebrate Oklahoma's many transportation accomplishments.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 2nd day of March, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and eleven, and of the State of Oklahoma in the One hundred and third year

Michelle R. Day
SECRETARY OF STATE Assistant

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: