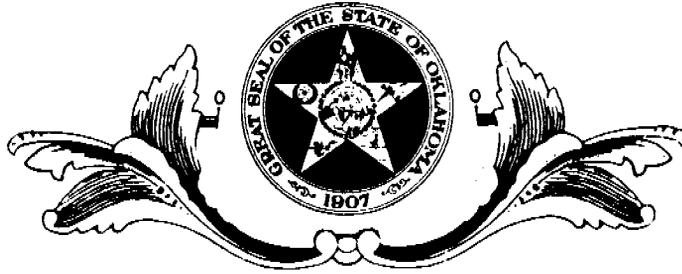


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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
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Proclamation

Whereas, the Rhythm Q's and Blues will be an annual event in Edmond, Oklahoma; and

Whereas, the Fine Arts Institute of Edmond is a non-profit organization open to all, and dedicated to furthering the art of Hardwood Smoking through public education; and

Whereas, the Rhythm Q's and Blues is a sanctioned event of the Kansas City Barbeque Society (KCBS), and as such will draw contestants from all over the State of Oklahoma as well as several other states each year to participate in the event; and

Whereas, the greatest recognition a barbeque cook can obtain is the opportunity to cook in the American Royal Invitational cook-off, which is open to all winners of the KCBS sanctioned State Championship Barbeque contest; and

Whereas, the Grand Champion of the Rhythm Q's and Blues will receive an invitation to the American Royal Barbeque cook-off;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim May 28, 2011 as

"Rhythm Q's and Blues Day"

in the State of Oklahoma.

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 16th day of May, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and eleven, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and third year.



Michelle Day
Assistant SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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