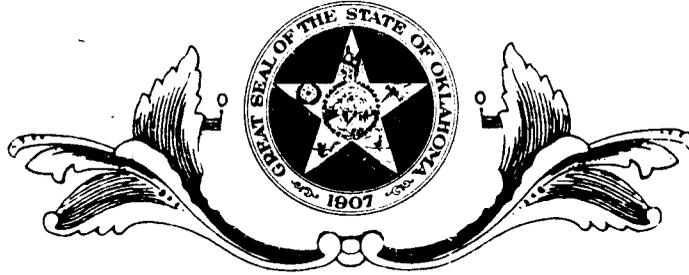


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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, military working dogs have been used by the United States armed forces since World War I and on March 13, 1942, the Quartermaster Corps of the United States Army began training dogs for the newly established War Dog Program, also known as the "K-9 Corps"; and

Whereas, still today, military working dogs serve alongside our men and women in uniform, both on active duty and serving in the reserves of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard; and

Whereas, it is only fitting that we remember and honor the dog handlers and their faithful K-9 partners for their service and sacrifice during World Wars I and II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War and many other conflicts; and

Whereas, on this day, we encourage citizens throughout Oklahoma to honor the forgotten hero dogs who helped, and continue to help, sustain the protection, safety and freedom of citizens in Oklahoma and throughout the United States;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim March 13, 2013 as

"K-9 Veterans 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 5th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

Michelle R. Day
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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