

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1772

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and YORK of the HOUSE

and

EASLEY of the SENATE

AN ACT RELATING TO PURPLE HEART WEEK; ESTABLISHING
PURPLE HEART WEEK; REQUESTING RESIDENTS TO OBSERVE
AND COMMEMORATE SUCH WEEK; STATING LEGISLATIVE
INTENT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 90.7 of Title 25, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The last week of May of each year is hereby established as "Purple Heart Week" in Oklahoma. The Purple Heart, as established by George Washington in 1782 and revived in 1932, is a decoration of honor awarded to members of the Armed Forces and to United States citizens honorably wounded in action.

All residents of this state are requested to devote some portion of Purple Heart Week to recognizing and commemorating the recipients of the Purple Heart who have demonstrated a commitment to fighting for the ideals which have made this nation great, have served this nation so valiantly, and are role models for all to emulate.

It is the intent of the Oklahoma Legislature that:

1. The Governor execute a proclamation each year in recognition of Purple Heart Week;
2. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs encourage the observance of Purple Heart Week with appropriate activities; and
3. Each local chapter of all veterans' organizations plan special activities and events to honor the Purple Heart recipients in that chapter.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the House of Representatives the 9th day of March, 1992.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1992.

President of the Senate