

SHORT TITLE: A Resolution praising Eddie Sutton as the 1993 Big Eight Coach-of-the-Year.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE

RESOLUTION NO. 12

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A Resolution praising and commending Eddie Sutton for capturing the 1993 Big Eight Conference Coach-of-the-Year Title; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Eddie Sutton has long been a leader in the basketball arena and is listed as the ninth winningest active head coach in college basketball; and

WHEREAS, Sutton is the only coach in NCAA history to lead four different schools, Creighton University in Nebraska, University of Arkansas, University of Kentucky and Oklahoma State University, to the NCAA Tournament; and

WHEREAS, Sutton was both a player and later a graduate assistant during the Cowboy's 1958-59 season for the legendary Henry Iba at Oklahoma State University; and

WHEREAS, prior to the 1990-91 basketball season, he returned to Stillwater, Oklahoma, to coach his alma mater and in his first two seasons led his teams to back-to-back sweet sixteen appearances at the NCAA Tournament claiming the Big Eight Title in 1991 and a second place league finish in 1992; and

WHEREAS, in 1992 Oklahoma State went 28-8 and posted back-to-back 20-win seasons for the first time since 1953 and 1954; and

WHEREAS, Sutton's two-year record of 52-16 and 76.5 winning percentage made him the first coach in Big Eight history to record at least 50 wins in his first two years at a league school; and

WHEREAS, Sutton is a three time National Coach-of-the-Year in 1977, 1978 and 1986, and on March 12, 1993, he was named Big Eight Conference Coach-of-the-Year, making him a six time Conference Coach-of-the-Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 44TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT Eddie Sutton hereby be commended and praised for bringing glory and honor to the State of Oklahoma by capturing the 1993 Big Eight Conference Coach-of-the-Year title.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Eddie Sutton and Dr. John Campbell, President, Oklahoma State University.

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