

ENROLLED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 75

By: Kerr, Capps, Bell, Brown, Cain,
Campbell, Cole, Dickerson,
Douglass, Easley, Fair, Fisher,
Ford, Gustafson, Haney, Harrison,
Helton, Hendrick, Henry, Herbert,
Hobson, Horner, Leftwich,
Littlefield, Long (Ed), Long
(Lewis), Maddox, Martin, Mickle,
Monson, Muegge, Pierce, Price,
Roberts, Robinson, Rozell,
Rubottom, Shedrick, Shurden,
Smith, Snyder, Stipe, Taylor,
Weedn, Wilkerson, Williams (Don),
Williams (Penny) and Wright of the
Senate

and

Cotner, Beutler, Adair, Adkins,
Anthony, Askins, Bastin, Begley,
Benson, Blackburn, Bonny, Boyd
(Betty), Boyd (Laura),
Breckinridge, Bryant, Case,
Claunch, Coleman, Cox, Cozort,
Crocker, Culver, Dank, Davis,
Deutschendorf, Dunegan, Dunlap,
Eddins, Ervin, Erwin, Ferguson,
Fields, Glover, Graves, Gray,
Greenwood, Hager, Hamilton,
Hastings, Hefner, Hiett, Hilliard,
Holt, Hutchison, Johnson, Key,
Kinnamon, Kirby, Kouba,
Langmacher, Leist, Maddux, Mass,
Matlock, McCorkell, Miller,
Mitchell, Morgan, O'Neal, Paulk,
Peltier, Perry, Pettigrew,
Phillips, Plunk, Pope (Clay), Pope
(Tim), Ramsey, Reese, Rhodes,
Rice, Roach, Roberts, Ross,
Sadler, Satterfield, Seikel,
Settle, Smaligo, Smith (Bill),
Smith (Dale), Staggs, Stanley,
Steidley, Stites, Stottlemire,
Sullivan (John), Sullivan
(Leonard), Taylor, Thomas,
Thornbrugh, Toure, Tyler, Vaughn,
Voskuhl, Weaver, Webb, Weese,
Wells and Worthen of the House

A Concurrent Resolution designating a portion of U.S.
Highway 283 beginning at the North Fork of the Red River
south to the Texas state line as the "Old Greer County
Highway"; directing the Oklahoma Department of
Transportation to place suitable markers on certain
portions of said highway; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Old Greer County was a southwestern county which originally included all of the land in present day Oklahoma located south and west of the North Fork of the Red River; and

WHEREAS, this area was claimed by both Texas and the United States; and

WHEREAS, on February 8, 1860, the Texas Legislature created Greer County, Texas, naming it after John A. Greer, the Lieutenant Governor of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 1896, the U.S. Supreme Court adjudged this area to be part of Indian Territory and soon thereafter it was attached to Oklahoma Territory, organized as a county and opened for settlement; and

WHEREAS, those who had previously settled in the area were permitted to retain their land; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the Oklahoma Constitutional Convention, the area was divided among Beckham, Greer and Jackson counties; and

WHEREAS, after statehood that part that had been designated Greer County was further divided to form Harmon County; and

WHEREAS, this event was perhaps the first of many occasions in which Texas gave up valuable yardage to Oklahoma while engaged in a losing contest; and

WHEREAS, this year represents the centennial celebration of the U.S. Supreme Court decision, which ultimately blessed our great state with four great counties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT as a lasting memorial to the rich and varied history of Old Greer County and as a tribute to the U.S. Supreme Court decision, the portion of U.S. Highway 283 beginning at the North Fork of the Red River south to the Texas state line be designated the "Old Greer County Highway".

THAT the Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall cause suitable markers to be placed at appropriate sites upon the portion of U.S. Highway 283 beginning at the North Fork of the Red River south to the Texas state line bearing the name "Old Greer County Highway".

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the respective Board of County Commissioners for Beckham, Greer, Harmon and Jackson Counties and to Neal A. McCaleb, Cabinet Secretary of Transportation and Director of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation.

Adopted by the Senate the 29th day of May, 1996.

President of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 31st day of May,
1996.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

