

SHORT TITLE: Honoring Claudia Tarrington for her leadership on the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women.

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SENATE

RESOLUTION NO. 90

By: Monson

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution honoring Claudia Tarrington for her leadership on the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women; recognizing her commitment to the families of Oklahoma; praising her ability to bring diverse, talented people together to address community needs; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Claudia Tarrington served on the Governor's Commission on the Status of Women and worked to establish a permanent Commission under state law. She was appointed the first woman to chair the permanent Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women and was elected by the body as Chair for three additional years. Ms. Tarrington also created and coordinated the first three Oklahoma Women's Summits to address the needs of Oklahoma women; and

WHEREAS, Claudia Tarrington re-instituted the Oklahoma Women's Hall of Fame to recognize outstanding Oklahoma women and their contributions to the State of Oklahoma. Governor Frank Keating named a day in her honor and both the Oklahoma Senate and the House of Representatives commended her; and

WHEREAS, Claudia Tarrington has provided significant service to the State of Oklahoma through gubernatorial appointments to the Oklahoma Foundation for the Humanities, the Governor's Conference on Rural Health and the Oklahoma Alzheimer's Research Advisory Council. She has served on several boards to support public policy decisions, including the Oklahoma Telemedicine Network Steering Committee and the Goals for Tomorrow Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Claudia Tarrington has been recognized by numerous organizations for her leadership abilities, including being named a Leadership Legacy by Oklahoma State University and its President James Halligan, a Pinnacle Award Winner from the Tulsa Women's Foundation and the Tulsa Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women, the first Oklahoman named to the Board of Directors of the National Association of Commissions for Women, Oklahoma Chair of the Women's Leadership Forum of the Democratic National Committee, Oklahoma Chair for President Clinton's Interagency Council on Women, Chairwoman of the Oklahoma Foundation for the Humanities 25th Anniversary Celebration, and is a graduate and active member of Leadership Oklahoma and Leadership Tulsa; and

WHEREAS, Claudia Tarrington has provided significant community service to Tulsa through service on the board of directors of the Simon Estes Educational Foundation, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, the American Theater Company, 12 & 12 Transition House, the Women's Treatment Center, Tulsa Metropolitan Ministry, and the Tulsa Women's Foundation. Claudia Tarrington continues to work to improve the quality of life for all Oklahomans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 46TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate honors Claudia Tarrington for her stewardship of the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes Claudia Tarrington for her lifelong commitment to the families of Oklahoma.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate praises Claudia Tarrington's ability to bring diverse, talented people together to address community needs.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Claudia Tarrington and the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women.

