ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 30

By: Littlefield, Brown, Cain, Campbell, Capps, Coffee, Crutchfield, Dickerson, Douglass, Dunlap, Easley, Fair, Fisher, Ford, Haney, Harrison, Helton, Henry, Herbert, Hobson, Horner, Johnson, Kerr, Laughlin, Leftwich, Long, Maddox, Martin, Mickle, Milacek, Monson, Morgan, Muegge, Price, Pruitt, Rabon, Robinson, Rozell, Shurden, Smith, Snyder, Stipe, Taylor, Weedn, Wilcoxson, Wilkerson, Williams and Williamson

A Resolution praising Oklahoma beef producers; designating May as "Oklahoma Beef Month"; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma beef producers contribute over Four Billion Dollars annually to the state's economy by raising over six million head of cattle per year and creating over one hundred thousand jobs for fellow Oklahomans; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma beef producers are dedicated to producing a safe, wholesome, and healthful product. Beef quality is a reflection and a result of the producers' commitment to the highest standards and the most careful practices; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma beef producers are proud of the role they have played for more than 100 years in providing excellent care of animals, serving as stewards of our land and natural resources, and putting safe and wholesome food on America's tables; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma beef producers represent a progressive and responsive industry that changes with the times to accommodate consumer preferences and the latest technologies; and

WHEREAS, throughout the history of Oklahoma, beef producers have played an integral role in the state's growth and economic prosperity, giving economic vitality to and sustaining a way of life for thousands of rural communities across our state. This collection of individual entrepreneurs comprises the largest portion of agriculture, which continues to be the largest segment of Oklahoma's economy; and

WHEREAS, in tending to their land, their animals and the natural resources they manage, Oklahoma beef producers are preserving, conserving and building for the future; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma's beef cattle producers continue to rise to the challenges set before them of preserving their heritage and paving the way for future beef producers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 47TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends Oklahoma beef producers and welcomes them to the State Capitol.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate designates May as "Oklahoma Beef Month".

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma Beef Industry Council.

Adopted by the Senate the 10th day of May, 1999.

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President of the Senate