

ENROLLED SENATE  
RESOLUTION NO. 45

By: Muegge and Harrison

A Resolution honoring Dr. Joe J. Struckle upon the occasion of his retirement as President of Northwestern Oklahoma State University; wishing him well in all future endeavors; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Joe J. Struckle earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics and physics from East Central University, a Master of Science degree in mathematics and education from Oklahoma State University, and a Doctor of Education degree in guidance from the University of Tulsa; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Joe J. Struckle served as a teacher of mathematics and science at Shidler High School, a mathematics teacher at Ponca City Public Schools, Instructor of Mathematics and Dean of Men at Northern Oklahoma College, and as Associate Professor of Education, Dean of Students, and President of Northwestern Oklahoma State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Joe J. Struckle has numerous professional memberships which include Phi Delta Kappa, American Association of State Colleges and Universities, Presidents' Council of Oklahoma Colleges, Higher Education Alumni Council of Oklahoma, and National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Council of Presidents. Dr. Struckle has also had a number of articles and scholarly works published; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Joe J. Struckle has shown executive ability and civic concern throughout his career. He served as a Sergeant in the United States Army and demonstrated his leadership in higher education through the Executive Committee of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics and as Chair of their groups Council of Presidents. Dr. Struckle also served three terms as Chair of the Presidents' Council of Oklahoma Colleges; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Joe J. Struckle has received many educational and civic honors and awards, including Alva's Citizen of the Year Award and the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce Local Hero Award, Distinguished Alumnus Awards from Tulsa University and East Central University, induction into the Oklahoma Educators' Hall of Fame and the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame, and the Friend of Foreign Languages Award and Friend of the Profession Award from the Oklahoma Foreign Language Teachers' Association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Joe J. Struckle is credited with eliminating an enormous debt at Northwestern Oklahoma State University and

transforming it into a regional university with the establishment of campuses in Woodward and Enid, Oklahoma. Dr. Struckle has served as President of Northwestern Oklahoma State University for 25 years, longer than any other of its previous chief executives. This record of duty also designates him Dean of Oklahoma college presidents, having the longest tenure of any current Oklahoma college president.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 47TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate honors Dr. Joe J. Struckle upon the occasion of his retirement as President of Northwestern Oklahoma State University and wishes him well in all future endeavors.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Dr. Joe J. Struckle; his wife, Barbara; the Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges; and the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

Adopted by the Senate the 9th day of February, 2000.

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President of the Senate