

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 50

By: Helton, Brown, Cain, Campbell,
Capps, Coffee, Crutchfield,
Dickerson, Douglass, Dunlap,
Easley, Fair, Fisher, Ford,
Haney, Harrison, Henry,
Herbert, Hobson, Horner,
Johnson, Kerr, Laughlin,
Leftwich, Littlefield, 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 warmly welcoming the Oklahoma Veterans Council and all Oklahoma veterans to the Oklahoma State Capitol; declaring Tuesday, February 22, 2000, Veterans Awareness Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, at the close of the last century Oklahoma could boast more veterans per capita than any other state in the Union. Many of these veterans were native Oklahomans who heeded the call of their country and proved themselves willing to make the supreme sacrifice to protect our liberty and freedom; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma State Legislature has shown its support for Oklahoma's military through the creation of the Oklahoma Military Advisory Commission and continued support of Oklahoma's national guard and reserve; and

WHEREAS, the great State of Oklahoma is blessed with some of the finest military installations in the nation, including Tinker Air Force Base, Vance Air Force Base, Altus Air Force Base, the United States Army Field Artillery Center at Fort Sill, the 95th Training Division at Midwest City, and the McAlester Army Ammunition Plant. Many who retire from these and other military establishments in Oklahoma choose to stay here because of the friendly and hospitable atmosphere of this state towards its veteran population; and

WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma is committed to providing care and services to all our veterans in Veterans Centers located in Ardmore, Claremore, Clinton, Norman, Sulphur, Talihina, and Okmulgee. The State of Oklahoma is in the process of building a Veterans Center in Lawton, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma State Senate humbly thanks each and every veteran and all those still serving for preserving the freedom and liberty that we so proudly hold dear.

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

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate warmly welcomes the Oklahoma Veterans Council and all Oklahoma veterans to the Oklahoma State Capitol.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate declares Tuesday, February 22, 2000, Veterans Awareness Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Ivenhoe T. Richey, Chair, Oklahoma Veterans Council; Norman Lamb, Secretary for Oklahoma Veterans Affairs; Harold D. Pinney, Chair, War Veterans Commission; and Phillip Boatner, Director, Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs.

Adopted by the Senate the 22nd day of February, 2000.

President of the Senate