

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 53

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

A Resolution commending Oklahoma's Scottish Americans; designating April 6, 2000, "Tartan Day" in the State of Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, April 6 of each year has a special significance for all Americans, and especially those Americans of Scottish descent, because the Declaration of Arbroath, the Scottish Declaration of Independence, was signed on April 6, 1320, and the American Declaration of Independence was modeled on that inspirational document; and

WHEREAS, Scottish Americans played a major role in the founding of this Nation. Almost half the signers of the Declaration of Independence were of Scottish descent. The Governors in nine of the original 13 states were of Scottish ancestry. Scottish Americans successfully helped shape this country in its formative years and helped guide this Nation through its most troubled times; and

WHEREAS, Scottish Americans have accomplished monumental achievements and have made invaluable contributions that have led to America's preeminence in the fields of science, technology, medicine, government, politics, economics, architecture, literature, media, and visual and performing arts; and

WHEREAS, Scottish Americans played a major role in the founding of Oklahoma. There are almost 160 places in Oklahoma named after locations in Scotland or after persons of Scottish descent. Many thousands of those who have served the people of this great state were of Scottish ancestry. Scottish Americans successfully helped shape this state in its formative years and guide it through its most troubled times to the present; and

WHEREAS, numerous individuals, clans, societies, clubs, and fraternal organizations composed of Oklahomans of Scottish descent are dedicated to recognizing the great contributions of the Scottish people, whether in Scotland, the United States, or the State of Oklahoma.

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

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends Oklahoma's Scottish-American population.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate proclaims April 6, 2000, "Tartan Day" in the State of Oklahoma to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish Americans to the United States and the great State of Oklahoma.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Rick Ewing, President, the Scottish Club of Tulsa Inc.

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

President of the Senate