

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 6

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Snyder, Stipe, Taylor, Weedn,
Wilcoxson, Wilkerson, Williams
and Williamson

A Resolution recognizing the athletic prowess of Troy Aikman; praising his civic activities; welcoming him to the Oklahoma State Senate; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, as a high school student and athlete, Troy Aikman was outstanding both in academics and football. Troy's ability as quarterback of the Henryetta Hens was nationally renowned; and

WHEREAS, as a college student, Troy Aikman was a Consensus All American, UPI West Coast Player of the Year, Davey O'Brien Quarterback of the Year, Washington Touchdown Club Quarterback of the Year, and a Heisman Finalist; and

WHEREAS, in his National Football League (NFL) career, Troy Aikman was the number one pick of the 1989 NFL draft, selected for the 1989 NFL All-Rookie Team, held the NFL rookie quarterback passing record with 379 yards in one game, selected for the 1990 and 1992 All-Madden Team, selected for the Pro Bowl in 1991 and 1992, nominated as the Dallas Cowboys NFL Man of the Year in 1991 and 1992, winner of the Bob Lilly Award in 1992, selected as the Super Bowl XXVII Most Valuable Player, selected as the S. Rae Hickcock Professional Athlete of the Month in January 1993, and has received numerous other athletic awards; and

WHEREAS, Troy Aikman has served as honorary chair for numerous charity events. He was chosen as Henryettan of the Year in 1992. He serves on the Board of Directors for Stars for Children. Troy Aikman founded the Troy Aikman Foundation in October 1992. The Troy Aikman Foundation has partnered with the Starbright Foundation to include Starbright World, a multi-user computer network that electronically links seriously ill children in hospitals across the country; and

WHEREAS, on February 23, 1999, Children's Hospital of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, opened Aikman's End Zone, a 6,000 square-foot football-themed, fully interactive play area that provides opportunities for relaxation, inspiration, and imagination for children facing serious medical challenges. The area is decorated in Dallas Cowboys silver and blue and includes photographs of the six-time Pro Bowl quarterback and football gear formerly worn by Aikman, Dallas Cowboys' Super Bowl items, and other memorabilia. Aikman's End Zones already are located in children's hospitals in Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas, but the Oklahoma City project at Children's Hospital is the largest by far and includes an expansion of services.

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

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes the athletic prowess of Troy Aikman in college and professional football.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate praises Troy Aikman for his civic activities, especially the Aikman's End Zone in children's hospitals in Oklahoma and Texas and other endeavors demonstrating his concern for children.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate welcomes Troy Aikman to the Oklahoma State Senate as part of the dedication of the Aikman's End Zone.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Troy Aikman.

Adopted by the Senate the 23rd day of February, 1999.

President of the Senate