

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION SCR13

By: Haney of the Senate

and

Weaver of the House

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution honoring the memory of Jim Thorpe; directing the Department of Transportation to designate a specific portion of State Highway 99 as the Jim Thorpe Oklahoma Memorial Highway; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, James Francis "Jim" Thorpe, a member of the Sac and Fox Nation, has brought international recognition to the State of Oklahoma through his achievements as an athlete at the amateur and professional levels; and

WHEREAS, the memory and feats of Jim Thorpe continue to serve as a positive influence for all Native American and Oklahoma youth today as a result of his athletic performance and excellence; and

WHEREAS, the Sac and Fox Nation has passed Resolution SF-99-39 requesting the legislative and executive branches of state government to rename State Highway 99 which passes through the Sac and Fox Nation Reservation, after Jim Thorpe.

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

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature honors the memory of James Francis "Jim" Thorpe, a great Oklahoman and member of the Sac and Fox Nation.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature directs the Department of Transportation to designate and dedicate State Highway 99/U.S.

Highway 377, from a point of its intersection with the Payne County-Creek County line to its junction with the North Canadian River in Pottawatomie County, as the "Jim Thorpe Oklahoma Memorial Highway" and provide appropriate signage.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the family of Jim Thorpe, the Department of Transportation and the Sac and Fox Nation.

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