

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION 4

By: Dickerson of the Senate

and

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A Concurrent Resolution congratulating the town of Spiro, Oklahoma, in LeFlore County on its centennial; commending the citizens of Spiro for their community spirit; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, in 1898, Edgar Moore and two relatives, who owned the land where Spiro is located, had the land surveyed for a town site. The town of Spiro, Oklahoma, in LeFlore County, was officially chartered as a municipal government on February 6, 1899; and

WHEREAS, there are different theories about how the town was named. Some say the town was named after the maiden name of Mrs. Louis Friedman, the first postmistress of Spiro. Others say the town was named after the father-in-law of an early merchant in Fort Smith. Another story is that the town got its name from the maiden name of the mother of the President of the City National Bank. Finally, some claim the town was named after a man named Spiro who was killed in Indian Territory; and

WHEREAS, Spiro's unique wide Main Street was built for wagons to turn around in the middle of the street as there were no automobiles in Indian Territory when the town was built. Horses and buggies and wagons were the means of transportation, especially wagons, which were utilized to haul crops to market; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Spiro, Oklahoma, celebrated their centennial with a dinner, awards, entertainment and various items of

memorabilia. Spiro's centennial celebration will continue throughout the year 1999.

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 Senate congratulates the town of Spiro, Oklahoma, in LeFlore County, upon the occasion of its centennial.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends the citizens of Spiro, Oklahoma, for their abundant public spirit.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Mayor of Spiro, Oklahoma.

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