

ENROLLED SENATE  
RESOLUTION NO. 13

By: Easley, Aldridge, Branan,  
Brogdon, Cain, Capps, Coates,  
Coffee, Corn, Crutchfield,  
Dunlap, Fair, Fisher, Ford,  
Gumm, Harrison, Helton, Hobson,  
Horner, Johnson, Kerr, Laster,  
Laughlin, Lawler, Leftwich,  
Littlefield, Maddox, Milacek,  
Monson, Morgan, Myers, Nichols,  
Price, Pruitt, Rabon, Reynolds,  
Riley, Robinson, Rozell,  
Shurden, Smith, Snyder, Taylor,  
Wilcoxson, Wilkerson, Williams  
and Williamson

A Resolution declaring Wednesday, April 2, 2003,  
"Mayor Jim Reynolds Day" in the State of Oklahoma;  
commending him for his many accomplishments in  
education, local government, and community service;  
and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, James C. Reynolds was born on February 10, 1928, in Vian, Oklahoma. He graduated from high school in 1946, playing both baseball and basketball. Jim won a basketball scholarship to Connors Junior College and earned his B.S. degree from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College. He did graduate work at Oklahoma State University, the University of Oklahoma, and Central State University. Jim received his M.A. degree from Washington University in St. Louis after being awarded a National Science Foundation grant; and

WHEREAS, Jim Reynolds taught math and coached basketball and baseball in Webbers Falls from 1948 through 1953. He married Mary Clark there in August 1951. Jim served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955. He then returned to teaching and coaching, becoming the Principal at Alluwe, Oklahoma, and then at Vian; and

WHEREAS, in August 1966, Jim Reynolds moved his family to Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, after having been hired by Amoco Production in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Jim retired from Amoco in 1986 but taught math in Broken Arrow schools until 1990, when he retired from teaching; and

WHEREAS, Jim Reynolds was elected to the City Council of Broken Arrow in 1975. He was selected Vice-Mayor in 1980 and Mayor in 1990. He has been continually reelected as Mayor since that time. Jim has served on the City Council for 28 years, 13 of them as Mayor. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Municipal League and chaired the Oklahoma Conference of Mayors. Jim

has been active in the Indian Nations Council of Governments (INCOG), holding the position of President of their General Assembly and serving on the Oklahoma Municipal League Legislative Committee. Jim has chaired the Regional Metropolitan Utility Authority and is on the Tulsa County Corrections Authority; and

WHEREAS, Jim Reynolds attended the National Mayors Conference in 2001 to bring home an Honorable Mention Award for the City of Broken Arrow in the Most Liveable City competition. In 1994, he received the Governor's State Mayor's Award for Arts and Humanities and in 1995 he was named Citizen of the Year by the Broken Arrow Chamber of Commerce. In 2001 Mayor Reynolds received the "Favorite Son" of Vian Award, given in recognition of his "personal distinction and service to his community through academic achievement and hard work." In 2002 Jim Reynolds was inducted into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame for City and Town Officials. This year James C. Reynolds did not seek reelection to the City Council, ending his tenure as both Council member and Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Jim Reynolds is member of the First United Methodist Church in Broken Arrow and has taught adult Sunday School classes there for twenty years. Jim is a member of the Broken Arrow Civitan Club and is a 32nd Degree Mason. He has worked with Rainbow Girls and DeMolay clubs in the area. Jim served on the State Mathematics Panel for several years and chaired the Northeastern District Math Association. He has also coached youth baseball and softball. James C. Reynolds spent the early years of his adult life serving young people as a teacher and coach and then invested more than a quarter of a century serving an entire community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 49TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate declares Wednesday, April 2, 2003, "Mayor Jim Reynolds Day" in the State of Oklahoma.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends Mayor Jim Reynolds for his many accomplishments in education, local government, and community service and extends its sincere thanks to him upon the occasion of his retirement from public service.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Broken Arrow Mayor James C. Reynolds; his wife, Mary Reynolds; his two daughters, Diana McKnight and Carrol Aikman; and the Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, Chamber of Commerce.

Adopted by the Senate the 31st day of March, 2003.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate