

ENGROSSED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 33

By: Rabon of the Senate

and

Billy of the House

A Concurrent Resolution supporting the continued funding of the Southern Plains Indian Museum; recognizing it as a valuable steward in the preservation of cultural heritage; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the Southern Plains Indian Museum promotes the economic development of American Indians of federally recognized tribes through the expansion of the Indian arts and crafts market; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Plains Indian Museum provides promotional opportunities, general business advice, and information on the Indian Arts and Crafts Act to Native American artists, craftspeople, businesses, museums, and cultural centers of federally recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Plains Indian Museum is a longstanding institution with a rich history of nurturing cultural artisans, artists who have achieved national and worldwide recognition within the history of contemporary American Indian art, and emerging artists; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Plains Indian Museum is important to the local community's economic health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Plains Indian Museum reaches beyond its doors to strengthen the identity of western Oklahoma and serves as a cultural ambassador to the many visitors from beyond Oklahoma's borders and the borders of the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature fully and wholeheartedly supports the continued funding of the Southern Plains Indian Museum and her sister museums in Browning, Montana, and Rapid City, South Dakota.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes the Southern Plains Indian Museum as a valuable steward in the preservation of the irreplaceable cultural heritage of western Oklahoma.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to members of the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation.

Adopted by the Senate the 27th day of May, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives