

ENROLLED SENATE  
CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION NO. 49

By: Lerblance, Adelson, Aldridge,  
Anderson, Barrington, Bass, Branan,  
Brogdon, Cain, Capps, Coates,  
Coffee, Corn, Crain, Crutchfield,  
Easley, Eason McIntyre, Fisher,  
Ford, Garrison, Gumm, Harrison,  
Hobson, Johnson (Constance), Johnson  
(Mike), Jolley, Justice, Lamb,  
Laster, Laughlin, Lawler, Leftwich,  
Mazzei, Morgan, Myers, Nichols,  
Paddack, Pruitt, Rabon, Reynolds,  
Riley, Shurden, Taylor, Wilcoxson,  
Williamson, Wilson and Wyrick of the  
Senate

and

Armes, Adkins, Askins, Auffet,  
Balkman, Banz, Benge, Billy,  
Bingman, Blackburn, Blackwell,  
Braddock, Brannon, Brown, Calvey,  
Carey, Cargill, Case, Coody,  
Cooksey, Covey, Cox, Dank, Denney,  
DePue, Deutschendorf, DeWitt,  
Dorman, Duncan, Eddins, Ellis,  
Gilbert, Glenn, Hamilton, Harrison,  
Hastings, Hickman, Hiett, Hilliard,  
Hyman, Ingmire, Jackson, Jett,  
Johnson, Jones, Kern, Kiesel,  
Lamons, Liebmann, Lindley, Liotta,  
Martin, Mass, McCarter, McDaniel,  
McMullen, McPeak, Miller (Doug),  
Miller (Ken), Miller (Ray), Morgan  
(Danny), Morgan (Fred), Morrisette,  
Nance, Nations, Newport, Perry,  
Peters, Peterson (Pam), Peterson  
(Ron), Piatt, Plunk, Pruett,  
Reynolds, Richardson, Roan, Roggow,  
Rousselot, Shelton, Sherrer,  
Shoemake, Shumate, Smaligo,  
Smithson, Staggs, Steele, Sullivan,  
Sweeden, Terrill, Thompson, Tibbs,  
Toure, Trebilcock, Turner, Walker,  
Wesselhoft, Wilt, Winchester,  
Worthen, Wright and Young of the  
House

A Concurrent Resolution designating April 19, 2006,  
"Water Day" at the State Capitol; and directing  
distribution.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma has more than 1,100 square miles of water in lakes and ponds, 320 million acre-feet of water stored in its major aquifers, and 80,000 miles of rivers and streams, making it a state abundant in water resources. No natural resource is as vital to the welfare of Oklahoma than clean, accessible water, of which approximately 1.8 trillion gallons are used every day throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the proper care and management of water is vital to Oklahoma's future. The state's economy as well as local economies could not exist without abundant, dependable supplies of water. Water is also a critical component of Oklahoma agriculture, the state's most prominent water user; and

WHEREAS, water is the overall driving force behind state industry and commerce, including the 445-mile-long McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System, which provides energy-efficient transportation of goods and materials from Oklahoma to ports throughout the world. Water generates hydroelectric power that provides a clean, renewable and affordable source of energy to the state; and

WHEREAS, water also provides other countless benefits to Oklahoma's vibrant tourism industry. Water provides the medium required for the survival of fish and other aquatic life as well as the habitat upon which all wildlife depend; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma's water-related agencies and organizations demonstrate extraordinary diligence and professionalism in the management and protection of our state's water resources; and

WHEREAS, water transcends not only geographic features but also the jurisdictional boundaries of state and federal agencies. Our state's water is a unique and precious resource that binds all Oklahomans to a rich past and promising future. Each Oklahoma citizen must take responsibility to ensure that our water quality and quantity is adequate to meet our future demands.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature, recognizing the importance of water interests to the State of Oklahoma, designates April 19, 2006, "Water Day" at the Oklahoma State Capitol and urges all Oklahoma citizens to respect the value and significance of Oklahoma's water resources.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Director of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board for distribution to the organizations participating in "Water Day" at the Oklahoma State Capitol.

Adopted by the Senate the 17th day of April, 2006.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 19th day of April,  
2006.

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Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives