

ENROLLED SENATE  
RESOLUTION NO. 95

By: Morgan, 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,  
Lerblance, Mazzei, Myers,  
Nichols, Paddack, Pruitt,  
Rabon, Reynolds, Riley,  
Taylor, Wilcoxson,  
Williamson, Wilson and  
Wyrick

A Resolution expressing gratitude to Senator Frank Shurden for his service in the Oklahoma State Senate; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Senator Frank Shurden is completing his twentieth year of service to the citizens of District 8 in the Oklahoma State Senate; and

WHEREAS, Frank Shurden was born in Henryetta, Oklahoma, on October 8, 1940, the son of Estol Forrest Shurden and Clara Mae Shurden. He attended Northern Oklahoma Junior College where he was selected for the Oklahoma Junior College all-star football team in 1959 and graduated with an Associate of Commerce degree in 1960. He received a BS in Business Management from Northeastern Oklahoma State University in 1962. A rancher, Frank Shurden was Vice President and State Reporter for the Northeast District of the Young Farmers Association of Oklahoma. He and his wife Kathryn have seven children; and

WHEREAS, Frank Shurden began his public service with the Oklahoma Tax Commission from 1976 until 1978 when he was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives. He was elected to the Oklahoma State Senate in 1986 and currently serves as Vice Chair of Public Safety and Homeland Security and Chair of the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Transportation. He has also chaired the Wildlife Committee and served as Vice Chair of the Battlefield Preservation Commission; and

WHEREAS, State Question No.632, adopted September 18, 1990, and effective January 1, 1991, limits the length of service for members

of the Legislature to a total of twelve years and as a result thereof, Senator Shurden will not be eligible to stand for reelection this year; and

WHEREAS, with the departure of Senator Frank Shurden, the Senate will lose one of its most newsworthy members. His relentless tendency to chop away at the obstacles to his sometimes unorthodox legislative program, year after year after year, and his cocksure advocacy of the various causes he espoused, will be missed by all. He will long be remembered as a Senator who fought in a principled manner for his beliefs, for working people, and for rural Oklahoma, and who accepted both his victories and his defeats with grace.

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

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate, on behalf of the citizens of Senate District 8 and all citizens of this state, expresses its gratitude to Senator Frank Shurden for his service in the Oklahoma State Senate.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Senator Frank Shurden.

Adopted by the Senate the 18th day of April, 2006.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate