

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 CONCURRENT
3 RESOLUTION NO. 93

By: Johnson (Constance),
Adelson, Aldridge,
Anderson, Ballenger,
Barrington, Bass, Bingman,
Branan, Brogdon, Brown,
Burrage, Coates, Coffee,
Corn, Crain, Crutchfield,
Easley, Eason McIntyre,
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Ivester, Johnson (Mike),
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Laster, Laughlin, Leftwich,
Lerblance, Mazzei, Morgan,
Myers, Nichols, Paddack,
Rabon, Reynolds, Rice,
Riley, Schulz, Sparks,
Sweeden, Sykes, Wilcoxson,
Williamson, Wilson and
Wyrick of the Senate

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13 Shumate of the House

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16 A Concurrent Resolution recognizing May 30 and 31 as
17 "Power to End Stroke Gospel Fest Days" in Oklahoma;
18 and directing distribution.

19 WHEREAS, stroke is the third leading cause of death in the
20 United States, killing over 150,000 Americans and 2,200 Oklahomans
21 each year. Stroke is also a leading cause of serious long-term
22 disability, with more than 1.1 million American adults yearly
23 experiencing functional limitations and difficulty with activities
24 of daily living as a result of a stroke; and

1 WHEREAS, fewer than one in five adults can correctly classify
2 all stroke symptoms and warnings, including sudden numbness or
3 weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the
4 body; confusion; trouble speaking or understanding; trouble seeing
5 in one or both eyes; trouble walking; dizziness; loss of balance or
6 coordination; and severe headache with no known cause; and

7 WHEREAS, African Americans are twice as likely to suffer a
8 stroke as Caucasians and are more likely to die from a stroke. The
9 American Heart Association/American Stroke Association has created
10 the Power to End Stroke program, a campaign aimed at educating
11 African Americans about the risks and warning signs of stroke; and

12 WHEREAS, as part of the Power to End Stroke campaign, the
13 American Heart Association/American Stroke Association has launched
14 Gospel Fest, a national tour hosted by Dr. Bobby Jones, host of
15 "Bobby Jones Gospel" on Black Entertainment Television (BET).
16 Gospel Fest participants can receive free health screenings and
17 information as well as be inspired by gospel music from choirs,
18 soloists and instrumentalists, the spoken word, gospel rap, praise
19 dancers, and other gospel talent from across the state; and

20 WHEREAS, May is recognized as American Stroke Month. The
21 nationwide Power to End Stroke Gospel Fest Tour comes to Oklahoma
22 during the month of May and will be in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on May 30,
23 2008, and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on May 31, 2008.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
2 OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
3 CONCURRING THEREIN:

4 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes May 30 and 31,
5 2008, as "Power to End Stroke Gospel Fest Days" in the State of
6 Oklahoma.

7 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the American
8 Heart Association/American Stroke Association.

9 Adopted by the Senate the 12th day of May, 2008.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2008.

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of Representatives