

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 51st Legislature (2007)

3 SENATE CONCURRENT
4 RESOLUTION 23

By: Eason McIntyre of the
Senate

5 and

6 Pittman of the House

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 A Concurrent Resolution declaring April 3, 2007,
11 "Prenatal Care Awareness Day" in the State of
12 Oklahoma; promoting initiatives to give babies a
13 healthy life; and directing distribution.

14 WHEREAS, Oklahoma ranks third in the percentage of infants who
15 die each year before reaching the age of one; and

16 WHEREAS, a major factor is the lack of prenatal care for many
17 Oklahoma babies and their mothers; and

18 WHEREAS, Oklahoma currently ranks 44th in the percentage of
19 babies and their mothers who do not receive prenatal care; and

20 WHEREAS, every day in Oklahoma an average of 53 babies are born
21 without prenatal care; and

22 WHEREAS, low birth weight and premature babies cost the medical
23 system millions of dollars; and

1 WHEREAS, prenatal care can cut the costs of delivery and lower
2 the infant mortality rate in Oklahoma.

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

6 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature declares April 3, 2007,
7 "Prenatal Care Awareness Day" in the State of Oklahoma.

8 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature renews its commitment to
9 work together to promote initiatives that will give all babies a
10 chance for a healthy life.

11 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma
12 State Secretary of Health.

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