

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 51st Legislature (2008)

3 SENATE

4 RESOLUTION 78

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5 AS INTRODUCED

6 A Resolution expressing gratitude to Senator Owen  
7 Laughlin for his service in the Oklahoma State  
8 Senate; and directing distribution.

9 WHEREAS, Senator Owen Laughlin is completing his twelfth year of  
10 service to the citizens of District 27 in the Oklahoma State Senate;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Owen Laughlin was born in Eldora, Iowa, on January 8,  
13 1951. He grew up in Higgins, Texas, one mile from the Oklahoma  
14 border, and completed requirements to earn Eagle Scout status as a  
15 youth. He graduated from Southern Nazarene University in 1973 with  
16 a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and from Oklahoma City  
17 University with a Juris Doctorate in 1976. Owen Laughlin holds a  
18 commercial pilot's license and is a Certified Flight Instructor. A  
19 practicing attorney, he also has been in the banking business and  
20 has managed real estate investments. Senator Laughlin and his wife  
21 Charlette have four children: Ryan, Nathan, Jana and Tyler, and one  
22 granddaughter, Avery Hope; and

23 WHEREAS, Owen Laughlin has been a member of the Oklahoma State  
24 Senate since 1997 and was named 1999 Legislator of the Year by the

1 National Republican Legislators Association. He has been awarded  
2 the Oklahoma Farm Bureau Meritorious Service Award twice, in 1997  
3 and 2002. Senator Laughlin currently serves as Republican Co-Floor  
4 Leader; and

5 WHEREAS, State Question No. 632, adopted September 18, 1990, and  
6 effective January 1, 1991, limits the length of service for a member  
7 of the Legislature to a total of twelve years, and as a result,  
8 Senator Laughlin will not be eligible to stand for reelection this  
9 year; and

10 WHEREAS, Owen Laughlin personifies the finest traits of the  
11 Western Oklahoman – Christian values, honesty, diligence,  
12 dependability and a dry sense of humor. His commitment to these  
13 ideals and his tireless service as the first Republican Co-Floor  
14 Leader will long be remembered and praised in the State Capitol.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION  
16 OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

17 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate, on behalf of the citizens of  
18 Senate District 27 and all citizens of this state, expresses its  
19 gratitude to Senator Owen Laughlin for his service in the Oklahoma  
20 State Senate.

21 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Senator Owen  
22 Laughlin.

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