

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 42

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A Resolution disagreeing with President Obama's Administration's characterization of returning military veterans and other supporters of traditional American values; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, President Obama's Administration's Department of Homeland Security released a report, titled "Right-wing Extremism: Current Economic and Political Climate Fueling Resurgence on Radicalization and Recruitment", on April 7, 2009; and

WHEREAS, President Obama's Administration's report singles out returning U.S. war veterans as a possible threat to security; and

WHEREAS, President Obama's Administration's report defines "right-wing extremists" as individuals who oppose abortion, support Second Amendment gun rights, oppose illegal immigration, or do not support an increase in the size and power of the federal government; and

WHEREAS, President Obama's Administration's report is a blatant attempt to marginalize the mainstream views of tens of millions of Americans by equating these traditional American values to "extremism".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate strongly disagrees with President Obama's Administration's assertion that military veterans, pro-lifers, gun rights supporters, and advocates of smaller government are "extremists".

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate supports America's military veterans, who have risked their lives preserving the nation instead of attacking it, and believes that the traditional American values under attack by President Obama's Administration should be respected and revered by the federal government.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate demands that President Obama's Administration retract this report and apologize to America's returning war veterans.

THAT the Oklahoma Secretary of State transmit a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress, and to the Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security.

Adopted by the Senate the 22nd day of April, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the Senate