

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 CONCURRENT
3 RESOLUTION NO. 17

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Paddack, Rice, Russell,
Schulz, Sparks,
Stanislawski, Sweeden,
Sykes, Wilson and Wyrick of
the Senate

and

Key of the House

17 A Concurrent Resolution promoting responsible dog
18 ownership; endorsing the AKC Canine Good Citizen
19 Program; encouraging dog training programs; and
20 directing distribution.

21 WHEREAS, dogs play an important role in the lives of many
22 Oklahoma citizens by serving as companions, therapy dogs, and
23 assistance dogs; and
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1 WHEREAS, it is recognized that dog-related problems are most
2 often caused by irresponsible owners; and

3 WHEREAS, responsible dog ownership should be encouraged in
4 Oklahoma and responsible owners should properly control and provide
5 adequate training for their dogs; and

6 WHEREAS, Canine Good Citizen programs identify and officially
7 recognize those dogs who behave as members in good standing with the
8 community; and

9 WHEREAS, the Canine Good Citizen Program was developed by the
10 American Kennel Club (AKC) to teach pet owners that dogs should
11 exhibit "good citizen" behaviors in the presence of other people and
12 other animals, in both the home and the community; and

13 WHEREAS, children and adults of all ages participate in Canine
14 Good Citizen classes to learn the skills involved in responsible dog
15 ownership; and

16 WHEREAS, with dog bites and animal concerns on the rise, there
17 is a real need for dogs to remain well-behaved community members.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
19 OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
20 CONCURRING THEREIN:

21 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature supports the effort to
22 promote responsible dog ownership in the State of Oklahoma.

23 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature endorses the American Kennel
24 Club (AKC) Canine Good Citizen Program.

