

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 SENATE  
4 RESOLUTION 23

By: Justice

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution declaring March 24, 2009, "Ag Day" in  
8 the State of Oklahoma; reminding Oklahoma citizens to  
9 recognize the importance of agriculture; and  
10 directing distribution.

11 WHEREAS, agriculture was the foundation on which the Great State  
12 of Oklahoma was built and remains to this day our leading industry.  
13 Agriculture and its associated production, processing, and marketing  
14 segments together provide more jobs than any other industry; and

15 WHEREAS, the performance of the agricultural economy is vital to  
16 maintaining the strength of our state and national economy, the  
17 standard of living of our citizens, and our presence in the world  
18 trade market. Oklahoma agriculture serves all Oklahomans by  
19 providing food, fiber, and other basic necessities; and

20 WHEREAS, in Oklahoma there are approximately 86,500 farms that  
21 continually seek to maintain and improve the high level of product  
22 quality and safety for the consumer. Oklahoma and the world  
23 continue to depend on agriculture for food and fiber even as rising  
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1 production costs and disastrous weather make farming more and more  
2 difficult; and

3 WHEREAS, the market value of agricultural production in Oklahoma  
4 was approximately \$5,806,061,000 in 2007. Agricultural producers,  
5 commodity and agribusiness organizations, nonprofit and community  
6 organizations, and others involved in the agricultural system have  
7 come together to celebrate Ag Day as the Oklahoma State Senate  
8 honors this great industry.

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

11 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate declares March 24, 2009, "Ag Day"  
12 in the State of Oklahoma.

13 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate reminds the citizens of this  
14 Great State to recognize the importance of agriculture and the  
15 imperative contribution it makes to our state's economy.

16 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Governor of  
17 the State of Oklahoma and to the State Board of Agriculture.

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