

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2008)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 25

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution declaring April 6 through 10, 2009,
8 "County Government Week" in Oklahoma; commending the
9 Association of County Commissioners of Oklahoma for
10 their efforts; and directing distribution.

11 WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma possesses 77 counties, which as
12 local governments are the levels closest to the people. Every
13 county elects three county commissioners who have responsibility for
14 the administration of each of the three districts within every
15 county; and

16 WHEREAS, the 231 county commissioners in all 77 Oklahoma
17 counties, working together for the health, safety, and welfare needs
18 of all county citizens, have formed the Association of County
19 Commissioners of Oklahoma (ACCO) to serve as a statewide
20 clearinghouse for leadership training, educational programming, and
21 a comprehensive array of services designed to meet the needs of its
22 member counties; and

23 WHEREAS, the Association of County Commissioners of Oklahoma is
24 governed by a 12-member Board of Directors with a Board-appointed

1 Executive Director who is responsible for the day-to-day management
2 of the organization. Eight Board members are elected by their
3 regional districts, three are elected by the general membership, and
4 the past president serves in the twelfth position. These same
5 regions form the Circuit Engineering Districts who elect their own
6 eight presidents who then, in turn, serve on the Oklahoma
7 Cooperative Circuit Engineering Districts Board (OCCEDB); and

8 WHEREAS, the Association of County Commissioners of Oklahoma
9 provides information to state officials relating to their positions
10 on a broad array of public policy matters, advocates policies useful
11 to counties, provides high quality education and training programs
12 for county commissioners, creates opportunities for county leaders
13 to exchange ideas, provides a statewide forum for consensus
14 building, and communicates on the issues and challenges facing
15 counties; and

16 WHEREAS, the Association of County Commissioners of Oklahoma
17 administers a comprehensive array of member services designed to
18 meet the needs of Oklahoma county government, including insurance,
19 managerial, and technical assistance programs; and

20 WHEREAS, the Association of County Commissioners of Oklahoma is
21 holding its Spring Conference on April 6 through 8, 2009, at the
22 Biltmore Hotel in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The program will cover
23 numerous issues, such as transportation, immigration, tribal
24 cooperation, pipelines, and recycling.

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

3 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate declares April 6 through 10,
4 2009, "County Government Week" in Oklahoma.

5 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends the Association of
6 County Commissioners of Oklahoma for their efforts and wishes them a
7 very successful spring conference.

8 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Kenneth
9 Eggleston, President of the Association of County Commissioners of
10 Oklahoma, and Gayle Ward, Executive Director of the Association of
11 County Commissioners of Oklahoma.

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