

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE

4 RESOLUTION 61

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution reaffirming the need for a national
8 cemetery to serve northwest central Oklahoma;
9 encouraging the building of a national cemetery; and
10 directing distribution.

11 WHEREAS, Fort Gibson and Fort Sill National Cemeteries serve the
12 eastern and southwestern portions of this state. Fort Gibson
13 averages 550 interments per year and Fort Sill averages about 325.
14 Neither site receives many veterans from the north side of Oklahoma
15 City, Oklahoma; and

16 WHEREAS, the northwest central portion of the State of Oklahoma
17 hosts both Tinker Air Force Base and Vance Air Force Base and is the
18 home of numerous veterans. At the present time, this major
19 population center has no national cemetery to serve the veterans
20 residing in the area; and

21 WHEREAS, the need for a national cemetery to serve the veteran
22 population of northwest central Oklahoma exists. Such a national
23 cemetery would benefit all concerned.

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

3 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate encourages building a national
4 cemetery to serve the veteran population of northwest central
5 Oklahoma.

6 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Secretary
7 of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and to the
8 members of the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation.

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