

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 53rd Legislature (2011)

3 SENATE CONCURRENT
4 RESOLUTION 16

By: Halligan of the Senate

5 and

6 Denney of the House

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 A Concurrent Resolution supporting construction of
11 the Keystone XL pipeline project; encouraging
12 approval process; and directing distribution.

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14 WHEREAS, recent events in North Africa, Japan and the Middle
15 East have reminded Americans of how vulnerable we are to global
16 events beyond our control and that our dependence on oil from
17 unstable regions of the world threatens our economic viability and
18 ultimately our national security; and

19 WHEREAS, Cushing, Oklahoma is a major storage hub for domestic
20 oil production and marketing and a critical point on the pipeline
21 route through the United States; and

22 WHEREAS, the Keystone XL pipeline project, currently awaiting
23 approval by issuance of a Presidential Permit, will significantly
24 increase pipeline capacity in the United States and provide a

1 stable, long-term supply of crude oil from Canada to domestic
2 refineries, as well as ease pipeline congestion in Cushing - making
3 it easier to transport existing supplies to refineries along the
4 Gulf Coast; and

5 WHEREAS, the Keystone XL pipeline project will provide greater
6 energy security to American consumers in addition to creating
7 thousands of jobs and increasing state and local tax revenues across
8 the State of Oklahoma and the region.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
10 OF THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
11 CONCURRING THEREIN:

12 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature fully supports the
13 construction of the Keystone XL pipeline project and encourages the
14 issuance of a Presidential Permit approving the project.

15 THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the Honorable
16 Hillary Rodham Clinton, United States Secretary of State; Mary
17 Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma; and all members of the
18 Oklahoma congressional delegation.

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