

ENROLLED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 16

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Wyrick of the Senate

and

Denney of the House

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the Keystone XL pipeline project, currently awaiting approval by issuance of a Presidential Permit, will significantly increase pipeline capacity in the United States and provide a stable, long-term supply of crude oil from Canada to domestic refineries, as well as ease pipeline congestion in Cushing - making it easier to transport existing supplies to refineries along the Gulf Coast; and

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

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

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

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

Adopted by the Senate the 2nd day of May, 2011.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 9th day of May,
2011.

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of Representatives