

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 8

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A Resolution congratulating the Sand Hill Vineyards for success in the Dallas Morning News Wine Competition; expressing appreciation for its representation; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the wine industry continues to grow in Oklahoma with 62 wineries currently operating in the state; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma wineries have received a great deal of positive recognition in competitions on the local, regional, national, and international levels; and

WHEREAS, one of these competitions, the Dallas Morning News Wine Competition, is open to commercially produced wines from anywhere in the world; and

WHEREAS, 492 wineries from around the world submitted 2,350 wines into the competition; and

WHEREAS, competition results were announced on March 24, 2011, with awards for four levels of excellence: double gold, gold, silver, and bronze; and

WHEREAS, Sand Hill Vineyards received a gold medal for its Ozark Mountain Norton; and

WHEREAS, Sand Hill Vineyard owner and winemaker, Andrew Snyder, serves as the president of the Oklahoma Grape Growers and Wine Makers Association; and

WHEREAS, Sand Hill Vineyards proudly represented the state of Oklahoma at the National Wine Experience presented by USA Today in Washington D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Sand Hill Vineyards proudly represented the state of Oklahoma, pouring the award-winning Norton in Newport Beach, California, to great accolades.

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

THAT the Oklahoma Senate congratulates the Sand Hill Vineyards in Calumet, Oklahoma, for its great success in the Dallas Morning News Wine Competition, and expresses sincere appreciation for its stellar representation of Oklahoma wineries.

THAT a copy of this resolution be dispatched to the Sand Hill Vineyards.

Adopted by the Senate the 31st day of March, 2011.

Presiding Officer of the Senate