Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 47

By: Newberry, Aldridge, Allen, Anderson, Ballenger, Barrington, Bass, Bingman, Boggs, Branan, Brecheen, Brinkley, Brooks, Brown, Burrage, Coates, Crain, Dahm, David, Ellis, Fields, Ford, Garrison, Griffin, Halligan, Holt, Ivester, Johnson (Constance), Johnson (Rob), Jolley, Justice, Loveless, Marlatt, Mazzei, McAffrey, Paddack, Schulz, Sharp, Shaw, Shortey, Shumate, Simpson, Sparks, Standridge, Stanislawski, Sykes, Treat and Wyrick

A Resolution proclaiming February 23 to March 1, 2014, as Emergency Management Week in the State of Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the climate of the State of Oklahoma is conducive to the development of natural and possibly man-made emergencies and disasters; and

WHEREAS, since 2007 alone, Oklahoma has received 32 presidential disaster declarations representing more than $486 million in infrastructure damage and millions more in private property damage delivered by ice and snow storms, tornadoes, flooding and other severe weather; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Oklahoma are adversely affected by such emergencies and disasters; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that we further an awareness of the dangers of such disasters and the protective measures citizens can take in the event of such conditions; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma Emergency Managers are responsible for encouraging and assisting state and local officials to plan adequately for and respond effectively to such emergencies and disasters; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma Emergency Managers follow a comprehensive plan involving the four phases of emergency management: preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Emergency Management Association should be commended for its continued diligence and mission to the citizens of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma Emergency Managers from around the state will take part in Emergency Management Day at the Capitol on February 26, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2nd SESSION OF THE 54th OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate proclaims February 23 to March 1, 2014, as "Emergency Management Week" in the State of Oklahoma and encourages all Oklahomans to support emergency management by preparing their homes and families for severe weather.

THAT during Emergency Management Week, the Oklahoma State Senate encourages all Oklahomans to thank those who contribute to emergency management across the state.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Roger Joliff, Emergency Manager for the City of Tulsa/Tulsa County and President of the Oklahoma Emergency Management Association.

Adopted by the Senate the 26th day of February, 2014.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this _____ day of _____, 20 _____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.

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