

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

3 SENATE CONCURRENT
4 RESOLUTION 24

By: Shumate of the Senate

5 and

6 Matthews and Pittman of the
7 House

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 A Concurrent Resolution recognizing the importance of
11 breast cancer awareness and education; designating
12 April 30, 2013, as "Breast Cancer Awareness Day" in
the State of Oklahoma; dedicating the special day to
the memory of Zora Brown; and directing distribution.

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15 WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most common cancer among American
16 women, besides skin cancers, with one in eight women being diagnosed
17 in her lifetime; and

18 WHEREAS, breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer
19 deaths in women, and is projected to claim the lives of nearly
20 40,000 women this year; and

21 WHEREAS, an estimated 232,000 new cases of invasive breast
22 cancer will be diagnosed in women in 2013; and
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1 WHEREAS, death rates from breast cancer have been declining
2 since 1990 because of earlier detection through screening, increased
3 awareness and improved treatment; and

4 WHEREAS, there are now more than 2.9 million breast cancer
5 survivors in the U.S.; and

6 WHEREAS, men as well as women are at risk for breast cancer.
7 It's estimated that more than 2,200 men will be diagnosed in 2013,
8 and around 400 men will die from the disease. While far less common
9 in men than in women, men still have a 1 in 1,000 chance of getting
10 breast cancer in their lifetime.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
12 OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
13 CONCURRING THEREIN:

14 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes the importance of
15 breast cancer awareness and education for all men and women.

16 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature designates April 30, 2013,
17 as the 5th Annual "Breast Cancer Awareness Day" in the State of
18 Oklahoma.

19 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature dedicates this special
20 awareness day to the memory of American Association for Cancer
21 Research Foundation for Prevention and Cure of Cancer trustee Zora
22 Brown, who was a pioneering advocate for cancer research and breast
23 cancer awareness among minorities and who lost her battle to ovarian
24 cancer on March 3, 2013, at the age of 63.

