

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

3 SENATE  
4 RESOLUTION 18

By: Fry

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution commemorating the 50th anniversary of  
8 the formation of the Oklahoma Department of  
9 Corrections; recognizing the dedication of DOC  
10 employees; and directing distribution.

11 WHEREAS, Oklahoma was incarcerating inmates and supervising  
12 offenders prior to becoming a state; and

13 WHEREAS, 50 years ago in 1967, during the 1st Regular Session of  
14 the 31st Oklahoma Legislature, the Oklahoma Corrections Act was  
15 signed by Gov. Dewey Bartlett creating the Oklahoma Department of  
16 Corrections and providing for the creation of a seven-member Board  
17 of Corrections, a state director of Corrections and three divisions;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, 20 Oklahoma Department of Corrections employees have  
20 sacrificed their lives while serving in the line of duty and  
21 continue to remain an inspiration to all who work in public safety  
22 across the state; and

1       WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Department of Corrections plays an  
2 important role in the safety and security of the citizens of the  
3 State of Oklahoma; and

4       WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Department of Corrections is equally  
5 dedicated to serving victims of crime as well as applying the  
6 sentence given by the courts to ensure justice is being served; and

7       WHEREAS, the staff, volunteers and Oklahoma Board of Corrections  
8 members work to ensure offender well-being by taking a steadfast  
9 approach to promoting positive changes in behavior and reintegration  
10 back into society.

11       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION  
12 OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

13       THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends the Oklahoma Department  
14 of Corrections and its employees for 50 years of dedicated service  
15 to the state.

16       THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma  
17 Department of Corrections Director, Joe M. Allbaugh, and the  
18 Commissioner of Public Safety, Michael C. Thompson.

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