1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION 2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 3 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021) ENGROSSED SENATE 4 CONCURRENT 5 RESOLUTION NO. 3 By: Simpson of the Senate 6 and 7 West (Josh) of the House 8 9 A Concurrent Resolution relating to the Oklahoma 10 Veterans Pilot Program; supporting the mission of the 11 Oklahoma Veterans Pilot Program; requesting the creation of a statewide public information program; 12 and directing distribution. 13 14 15 WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Veterans Pilot Program has developed a health care access and service delivery system for Oklahoma 16 17 veterans; and WHEREAS, the program is designed to ease conditions and allow 18 the VA Medical Centers and Clinics to function more efficiently by 19 20 reducing wait times, improving management of existing resources and continuing efforts to prioritize internal clinical and support 21 services; and 22 23 24

WHEREAS, the program will provide health care navigation services for high-risk veterans and third-party assistance through proven and experienced private-sector partnerships; and

WHEREAS, the program has been designed to create greater transparency and accountability, provide a more localized and veteran-friendly environment and improve cost-effectiveness and service efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the program has received numerous letters of support from Oklahoma health care, business and higher education communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION

OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Legislature supports the mission of the Oklahoma Veterans Pilot Program.

THAT the Legislature requests the Cabinet Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Military and the Chairman of the Oklahoma Veterans Commission to collaborate with the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs to conduct a statewide public information program designed to educate the public and elicit support for the Oklahoma Veterans Pilot Program.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Governor Kevin Stitt; Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs Executive Director, Joel Kintsel; Cabinet Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Military,

Ben Robinson, BG (Ret.); Chairman of the Oklahoma Veterans Commission, Larry Van Schuyver; and Oklahoma Veterans Pilot Program Coordinator, Pete Reed. DIRECT TO CALENDAR.