

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE
RESOLUTION 49

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AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution congratulating the Oklahoma State
University Counter-UAS Center of Excellence; and
directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the Unmanned Systems Research Institute (USRI) at
Oklahoma State University has been designated as a United States
Department of Defense Counter-UAS (unmanned aerial systems) Center
of Excellence. Created in partnership with the U.S. military and
industry leaders, the center will elevate the university's capacity
to develop state-of-the-art technology and a highly trained
workforce equipped to sustain growth well into the future; and

WHEREAS, the newly formed Center of Excellence aims to provide a
collaborative environment to rapidly develop and test counter-UAS
capabilities, and bolster the U.S. military's ability to attract a
skilled, security-cleared workforce to develop and test this
technology; and

WHEREAS, the center will provide expertise on unmanned systems,
autonomy, advanced materials, and navigation solutions, as well as
potential workforce candidates that will now have extensive, hands-

1 on experience with systems and technologies developed through the
2 center; and

3 WHEREAS, Oklahoma State University, the state's premier land-
4 grant institution, believes strongly in its mission to support the
5 needs of the citizens of the state and assist industry, state, and
6 federal agencies through education, research, and Extension. The
7 Counter-UAS Center of Excellence continues the tradition of
8 leadership and distinction in aerospace and UAS research.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
10 OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

11 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate hereby acknowledges the Oklahoma
12 State University Counter-UAS Center of Excellence for its
13 contributions to our state and nation, and for its positive impact
14 on Oklahoma's economic development and industry expertise.

15 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma
16 State University Counter-UAS Center of Excellence.

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