

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION 22

By: Jett of the Senate

and

Echols of the House

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution proclaiming November 23, 2024, as Oklahoma Native American Warrior Day; encouraging Oklahomans to participate; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the month of November celebrates Veterans Day and is recognized as Native American Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, the Native American warrior has served the State of Oklahoma with honor, courage, and distinction and made the ultimate sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, during the twentieth century, more than twelve thousand warriors served in World War I and ten thousand Native American women joined the American Red Cross, and over forty-four thousand warriors and eight hundred Native American women served in World War II; and

WHEREAS, since 9/11, Native Americans have served at a higher per capita rate than any other ethnic group; and

1 WHEREAS, the Force 50 Foundation is leading an effort to honor
2 and celebrate the Native American warrior with several events in
3 November, culminating in a special, nationally recognized event on
4 November 23, 2024.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
6 OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
7 CONCURRING THEREIN:

8 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature proclaims November 23, 2024,
9 as Oklahoma Native American Warrior Day, honoring all Native
10 American warriors.

11 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature encourages all Oklahomans
12 and businesses to participate in and support appropriately the
13 efforts of the Force 50 Foundation to make all November events
14 historic and successful.

15 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature encourages the Governor and
16 appropriate state agencies to support this historic project.

17 THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to: Governor
18 Kevin Stitt; Coach Barry Switzer, Project Honorary Chairman; former
19 Governor George Nigh, Special Advisor; Governor Bill Anoatubby of
20 the Chickasaw Nation, Special Advisor; and Pete Reed, Project
21 Coordinator.

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