

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

3 SENATE CONCURRENT  
4 RESOLUTION 19

By: Pittman and Matthews of the  
Senate

5 and

6 Ortega, Young and Shelton  
7 of the House

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 A Concurrent Resolution recognizing the importance of  
11 breast cancer awareness; designating April 21, 2015,  
12 as Breast Cancer Awareness Day in Oklahoma.

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14 WHEREAS, breast cancer is one of the most common cancers among  
15 American women, second only to skin cancers, with one in eight women  
16 being diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime; and

17 WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates that nearly  
18 230,000 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in  
19 women in 2015, and the disease is projected to claim the lives of  
20 more than 40,000 women this year; and

21 WHEREAS, men are also at risk for breast cancer and need to be  
22 educated about their risk. While far less common in men than in  
23 women, men still have a 1 in 1,000 chance of getting breast cancer  
24 in their lifetime. This year, it is estimated 2,350 men will be

1 diagnosed with breast cancer, and approximately 440 men will die  
2 from breast cancer; and

3 WHEREAS, death rates from breast cancer have been declining  
4 since 1990 because of earlier detection through screening, increased  
5 awareness, and improved treatment; and

6 WHEREAS, there are now more than 3 million breast cancer  
7 survivors in the U.S.; and

8 WHEREAS, many Oklahoma grassroots organizations, support groups,  
9 and clinics are providing support, education, and treatment for men  
10 and women affected by breast cancer.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION  
12 OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
13 CONCURRING THEREIN:

14 THAT the Oklahoma Legislature declares April 21, 2015, as Breast  
15 Cancer Awareness Day in Oklahoma.

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