1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)
3	SENATE
4	RESOLUTION 13 By: Kidd
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6	AS INTRODUCED
7	A Resolution designating cotton as the State Fiber of
8	Oklahoma; recognizing its impact in state; thanking farmers; and directing distribution.
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L1	WHEREAS, Oklahoma has a rich history of diverse agriculture
L2	
	production; and
L3	WHEREAS, cotton is an integral agricultural commodity to the
L 4	Sooner State, being grown in more than 37 counties in 2020; and
L5	WHEREAS, Oklahoma ranks among the top 10 cotton producing
L 6	states; and
L7	WHEREAS, the cotton industry had 640,000 acres planted in 2019,
L8	with a yield of 688 pounds per harvested acre; and
L 9	WHEREAS, cotton grown in Oklahoma provides feed for livestock,
20	fiber for clothing, cotton seed oil for cooking, cellulose for
21	plastics and high quality paper for currencies; and
22	WHEREAS, the cotton industry creates billions of dollars in
23	revenue for the state of Oklahoma in the form of exports, industry
24	and jobs.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate designates cotton as the State Fiber of Oklahoma and requests it be added as a state symbol.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes cotton's tremendous impact on Oklahoma's economy and thanks Oklahoma's cotton producers for their work to provide Oklahomans and the global market with the highest of quality cotton grown.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Frederick Elementary's 3rd grade class and teachers, Alison Ellis, Halle Pineda, Lisa Sizelove and Kay Cabaniss; Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture, Blayne Arthur; the Oklahoma Cotton Council; CHS Area Location Manager, Brandon Winters; Tyler and Lacey Oxford; Landon and Lindsay Hunt with Hunt Ag Enterprises; and Melody Aufill with Oklahoma Ag in the Classroom.

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