STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

SENATE
RESOLUTION 13   By: Kidd

<u>AS INTRODUCED</u>

A Resolution designating cotton as the State Fiber of
Oklahoma; recognizing its impact in state; thanking
farmers; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma has a rich history of diverse agriculture

production; and

WHEREAS, cotton is an integral agricultural commodity to the

Sooner State, being grown in more than 37 counties in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma ranks among the top 10 cotton producing

states; and

WHEREAS, the cotton industry had 640,000 acres planted in 2019,

with a yield of 688 pounds per harvested acre; and

WHEREAS, cotton grown in Oklahoma provides feed for livestock,

fiber for clothing, cotton seed oil for cooking, cellulose for

plastics and high quality paper for currencies; and

WHEREAS, the cotton industry creates billions of dollars in

revenue for the state of Oklahoma in the form of exports, industry

and jobs.

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

2 OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

3   THAT the Oklahoma State Senate designates cotton as the State

4 Fiber of Oklahoma and requests it be added as a state symbol.

5   THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes cotton's tremendous

6 impact on Oklahoma's economy and thanks Oklahoma's cotton producers

7 for their work to provide Oklahomans and the global market with the

8 highest of quality cotton grown.

9   THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Frederick

10 Elementary's 3rd grade class and teachers, Alison Ellis, Halle

11 Pineda, Lisa Sizelove and Kay Cabaniss; Oklahoma Secretary of

12 Agriculture, Blayne Arthur; Harvey Shroeder with the Oklahoma Cotton

13 Council; CHS Area Location Manager, Brandon Winters; Tyler and Lacey

14 Oxford; Landon and Lindsay Hunt with Hunt Ag Enterprises; and Melody

15 Aufill with Oklahoma Ag in the Classroom.

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