

Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 15

By: Weaver

A Resolution recognizing May as Law Enforcement
Appreciation Month in Oklahoma.

WHEREAS, everyday thousands of Oklahoma law enforcement officers put on their badges and say goodbye to their families knowing they may not come home, but bravely choose to put others' safety above their own; and

WHEREAS, facing dangerous and traumatic situations is a regular occurrence for these dedicated, selfless public servants as they work to enforce the law and keep the public safe; and

WHEREAS, it is important to show Oklahoma's approximately 13,000 active peace officers that our citizens recognize the difficult, dangerous and often thankless career they have chosen in public service; and

WHEREAS, this past year, officers worked tirelessly while facing the complications and added stress of working through the historic COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, six Oklahoma law enforcement officers died in the line of duty in 2020 including three from COVID-19. These included Captain Billy Dewayne Allen, Sr., Fort Sill Police Department; Tulsa Police Officer Jerad Lindsey; Oklahoma Highway Patrol Captain Jeff Sewell; Sergeant Craig Vincent Johnson, Tulsa Police Department; Lieutenant Shirley Lanning, Canadian County Sheriff's Office; and Bryan County Deputy Sheriff Jarid Taylor; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers play an integral role in society, protecting our homes, businesses, families and communities, and deserve our unwavering support.

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

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate, on behalf of all citizens of this state, recognizes May as Law Enforcement Appreciation Month in Oklahoma.

Adopted by the Senate the 5th day of May, 2021.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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day of _____, 20 _____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.
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