

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE  
4 RESOLUTION 25

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution proclaiming April 7, 2015, as the 19th  
8 Annual 4-H Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol;  
9 celebrating youth who have made an impact on the  
10 community; encouraging citizens to continue  
11 "Extending Knowledge, Changing Lives"; and directing  
12 distribution.

13 WHEREAS, 4-H is the youth component of the Cooperative Extension  
14 Service and has been serving Oklahoma's young people between the  
15 ages of 5 and 19 since 1908, and helping them create their futures  
16 by developing valuable life skills they will carry on throughout all  
17 aspects of their lives; and

18 WHEREAS, youth involved in the 4-H program are four times more  
19 likely to make contributions to their communities through  
20 volunteerism and citizenship activities; and

21 WHEREAS, Oklahoma 4-H reaches 111,000 youth members and 8,000  
22 volunteer leaders annually; and

23 WHEREAS, 4-H youth across the nation continue to make a  
24 difference in their cities and towns by being civically active; and

1       WHEREAS, 4-H members continue to work together to follow the 4-H  
2 motto of "To Make the Best Better" in all communities across the  
3 state; and

4       WHEREAS, volunteer leaders and Oklahoma 4-H members combined  
5 annually contribute more than 135,000 volunteer hours of service,  
6 valued at a \$2.5 million contribution back to their communities and  
7 state; and

8       WHEREAS, 4-H, as part of the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension  
9 Service, provided by Oklahoma State University and Langston  
10 University, where youth are twice as likely to participate in  
11 science, engineering and computer technology programs; and

12       WHEREAS, 4-H girls are more likely to take part in science  
13 programs compared to girls in other out-of-school time activities;  
14 and

15       WHEREAS, Oklahoma's 4-H'ers are two times as likely as non-club  
16 members to make healthier choices in life.

17       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION  
18 OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

19       THAT the Oklahoma State Senate proclaims April 7, 2015, as the  
20 19th Annual 4-H Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol.

21       THAT the Oklahoma State Senate celebrates the youth who have  
22 made an impact on their community and are stepping up to the  
23 challenges of a complex and changing world.

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1            THAT the Oklahoma State Senate encourages others to continue  
2 "Extending Knowledge, Changing Lives".

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