1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)
3	SENATE RESOLUTION 70 By: Justice
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6	AS INTRODUCED
7	A Resolution recognizing and commending Farm Credit and certain local offices for 100 years of support
8	and service to the agricultural community; and directing distribution.
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11	WHEREAS, Farm Credit was established by Congress in 1916 and is
12	one of the nation's oldest financial institutions and has been
13	dedicated to supporting farmers and ranchers in Oklahoma and
14	nationwide for the past 100 years; and
15	WHEREAS, Farm Credit was created to provide a dependable source
16	of financing and financial services for agricultural purposes and a
17	variety of Farm Credit institutions make loans to farmers, ranchers,
18	co-ops and agribusinesses in Oklahoma; and
19	WHEREAS, the Farm Credit System is the only major agricultural
20	lender that is locally owned and operated and the borrowers in the
21	local Farm Credit offices in Oklahoma are the members that elect the
22	board of directors that govern the lending institutions; and
23	WHEREAS, this cooperative structure allows the local members to
24	understand the businesses, community and market in Oklahoma while

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1 still enjoying the financial strength and stability of a nationwide 2 system; and

WHEREAS, the future of agriculture depends on the financial success of young and beginning producers, and the diversity of the agricultural products enjoyed depends in part on the financial success of small producers. Farm Credit has served the credit needs of young and beginning producers in Oklahoma through its Young, Beginning and Small Farmer and Rancher Program.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
10 OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

11 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes and commends Farm 12 Credit, and especially local Farm Credit offices in Oklahoma, Farm 13 Credit of Western Oklahoma, Oklahoma AgCredit, Farm Credit of Enid, AgPreference and American AgCredit, for 100 years of support and 14 service to the agricultural community in Oklahoma and nationwide. 15 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to AgPreference, 16 American AgCredit, Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma, Farm Credit of 17 Enid and Oklahoma AgCredit. 18

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