## Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8

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A Resolution recognizing April 6, 2017, as "Tartan Day" in the State of Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, on April 6, The United States observes National Tartan Day, symbolizing the signing of the Declaration of Arbroath in 1320, asserting Scotland's sovereignty over English territorial claims, and which influenced the American Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, National Tartan Day honors the role Scottish Americans have played throughout this nation's history. Almost half the signers of the American Declaration of Independence in 1776 were of Scottish dissent; and

WHEREAS, the United Scottish Clans of Oklahoma (USCO) and Scottish Club of Tulsa (SCOT) represent the Scottish descendants and enthusiasts in the State of Oklahoma, helping promote Scottish culture and heritage through Highland Games, music, dance and other events; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma hosts two Scottish festivals each year; the Iron Thistle Scottish Heritage Festival and Highland Games, sponsored by USCO and held in Yukon on April 28, 29 and 30, 2017; and SCOTFEST, held in Tulsa on September 15, 16 and 17, 2017; and

WHEREAS, using the colors of red, white, black and gold on a blue field, Oklahoma native, Jerrel R. Murray, created a tartan that is symbolic of the people, land and resources of Oklahoma. The tartan was approved and registered with the Tartan Registry Society, and in 1999, the Oklahoma State Legislature declared it to be the official tartan of State of Oklahoma.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes April 6, 2017, as "Tartan Day" in the State of Oklahoma.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the United Scottish Clans of Oklahoma, the Scottish Club of Tulsa and SCOTFEST.

Adopted by the Senate the 6th day of April, 2017.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

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