

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 9

By: Thompson

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution commending Dr. Jeanetta Calhoun Mish for
8 her contributions to the state; congratulating Dr.
9 Mish for her appointment as State Poet Laureate; and
10 directing distribution.

11 WHEREAS, the state's Poet Laureate program is facilitated by the
12 Oklahoma Arts Council on behalf of the governor; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Jeanetta Calhoun Mish is a poet, writer, teacher
14 and scholar who for years has shared her talents with those around
15 her through poetry; and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. Mish has been selected by Governor Mary Fallin to
17 serve as Oklahoma's State Poet Laureate for 2017-2018 for her
18 passion and expertise in poetry, as well as her ability to engage
19 citizens of the state in this art form; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Mish has written several books of poetry, including
21 "Tongue Tied Woman," "Oklahomeland: Essays," "What I Learned at the
22 War" and "Work is Love Made Visible," which won the 2010 Oklahoma
23 Book Award for Poetry and the 2010 Western Heritage Award for
24 Poetry; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Mish honors this state, not only with her
2 outstanding talent, but also her enthusiasm and willingness to share
3 her gift of stories and poems with others.

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

6 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate hereby commends Dr. Jeanetta
7 Calhoun Mish for her valuable contributions to the state.

8 THAT Dr. Jeanetta Calhoun Mish is hereby congratulated for being
9 named the 2017-2018 State Poet Laureate.

10 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Dr. Jeanetta
11 Calhoun Mish.

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