

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session XCIV

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 20, 2015
Devon Hall 120

Session XCIV

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Flag Salute

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Vice Chair's Report-

Secretary's Report-

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940505 Veteran Recognition and Appreciation Week Funding Act (Kelling/Miller) (Rec of do pass)

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Chair: Emily Sample

Vice-Chair: Chelsea Brown

Secretary: Kaylee Rains

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

October 20, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS-15

October 25, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 940505

SENATE BILL NO. GS15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act authorizing the purchase of a POW/MIA flag and yellow display ribbons with the Congressional Initiatives Fund, providing for a short title, providing an effective date, and providing for distribution.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “The Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Week Funding Act.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to provide a POW/MIA flag to be flown under the United States Flag in the North Oval and yellow ribbons to be affixed to the light poles in the South Oval during Veterans Recognition and Appreciation week. The cost breakdown is as follows:

\$207.20 for (48) Reusable, weatherproof yellow ribbons

\$118.00 for (1) 5 ft x 8 ft POW/MIA Flag

\$47.50 for Shipping and Handling

Total: \$372.70

Section 3: The Undergraduate Student Congress hereby authorizes the purchase and delivery of 48 yellow ribbons and 1 Large POW/MIA Flag to be provided to the Student Veterans Association at a cost of \$372.70 to be paid from the Congressional Initiatives Fund.

Section 4: Copies of this act shall be distributed to:
David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
The Oklahoma Daily
OU Nightly

Author(s): Taylor Kelling, Life Science District Representative
Jordan Miller, Engineering District Representative

Co-Author(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF-15
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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940302
SENATE BILL NO. GF15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Joint Resolution relating to Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Week; declaring the week containing Veterans Day, which traditionally falls on November 11th, as Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Week at The University of Oklahoma; reaffirming the University's ongoing commitment to and appreciation of the service of veterans of the United States Armed Forces; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has traditionally recognized and celebrated Veterans Day; and
- Whereas: Since its founding in 1890, Alumni of The University of Oklahoma have served in defense of The United States of America in every conflict, including World War I, World War II, The Korean War, The Vietnam War, Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, The Global War on Terrorism, and Operation New Dawn; and
- Whereas: Currently serving members and veterans of the United States Armed Forces and their families have made great sacrifices in order to serve our great Nation; and
- Whereas: Many members of the University community have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our great Nation; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma respects and appreciates the service and sacrifices of all currently serving members of The United States Army, The United States Navy, The United States Marine Corps, The United States Air Force, The United States Coast Guard, National Guard, Reserves, and all veterans of the United States Armed Forces; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has seven hundred and seventy four students who have self-identified as veterans of The United States Armed Forces.
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma provides resources and support to all veteran students through the Veterans Support Alliance (Green Zone) with a membership that includes over 500 trained members of the Faculty and Staff, and a dedicated staff within the Veteran Student Services office; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has over 220 students enrolled in detachments of The Army Reserve Officer Training Corps, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps, and Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Memorial Union, and the Blackhawk Memorial statue located near the Gaylord Family Memorial Stadium, were previously established in memory of all alumni who made the ultimate sacrifice to our great Nation; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association and the student body have always strived and continue to strive to appreciate and support all within the United States Armed Forces community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION THAT:

Section 1: The Student Body requests that the University of Oklahoma declare the week containing Veterans Day, traditionally held on November 11th, as Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Week to honor the service and sacrifice of the United States Armed Forces Community and have University Programming Calendars include Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Week.

Section 2: Furthermore, the Student Government Association requests that student organizations and administration direct funding to the organization of Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Week and the events that will occur during that week.

Section 3: Furthermore, the Student Government Association requests that The University Of Oklahoma fly the Federally Recognized Prisoner of War/Missing in Action flag under the United States Flag on the main flag pole in the North Oval for the entirety of Veterans Recognition and Appreciation Week in a demonstration of solid support for the United States Armed Forces community.

Section 4: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Jabar Shumate, Vice President for the University Community
- Kristen Partridge, Associate Dean of Students and Director of Student Life
- Shad Satterthwaite, Faculty Sponsor, OU Student Veterans Association
- Jennifer Trimmer, Staff Sponsor, OU Student Veterans Association
- Mary Fallin, Governor of Oklahoma
- Senator John Sparks
- Senator Rob Standridge
- Representative Claudia Griffith
- Representative Emily Virgin
- Representative Scott Martin
- Commander, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Detachment 675
- Commander, Army Reserve Officer Training Corps Sooner Battalion
- Commander, OU Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps Battalion

- OU Student Veterans Association
 - The University of Oklahoma Military Alumni Association
 - *OU Daily*
 - *OU Nightly*
 - *Norman Transcript*
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Authors: Taylor Kelling, Life Science District Representative, U.S. Air Force Veteran
Jordan Miller, Engineering District Representative, U.S. Army Veteran

Co-Author: Justin Cook, President, OU Student Veterans Association, U.S. Navy Veteran

Co-Sponsor: Emily Sample, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Carrie Pavlowsky, Chair of Graduate Student Senate
Elizabeth Pacheco, Secretary of the Graduate Student Senate
Conor Park, Business District Representative

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