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SENATE
RESOLUTION 15

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A Resolution declaring April 14, 2020, Oklahoma Agriculture Day; recognizing the importance of agriculture; thanking Oklahoma's farmers and ranchers; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, agriculture is one of Oklahoma's leading industries and its associated production, processing and marketing segments together provide a major source of employment for the state's workforce; and

WHEREAS, agriculture serves all Oklahomans and people around the world by providing food, fiber and other necessities, which are essential to sustain our standard of living and presence in the world trade market; and

WHEREAS, with the fourth highest number of farming operations in the United States, the performance of Oklahoma's 86,600 farms is vital to maintaining and improving the strength of our state economy; and
WHEREAS, Oklahoma exported more than $1.8 billion of agricultural products in 2017, with beef and wheat being the state's top agricultural exports; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma ranks 5th nationally for cattle and calf production, 10th for hog production and 26th for broiler production; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma poultry produces 933 million eggs each year; and

WHEREAS, agricultural producers, commodity and agribusiness organizations, nonprofits and other citizens will come together to celebrate Oklahoma Agriculture Day to honor this great industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 57TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate declares April 14, 2020, as Agriculture Day in the State of Oklahoma.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes the importance of agriculture and the vital contribution it makes to our state's economy.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate thanks Oklahoma's farmers and ranchers for their dedication to providing safe, high quality agricultural products for consumers.
THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma Secretary and Commissioner of Agriculture.

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