

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 CONCURRENT
3 RESOLUTION NO. 20

By: Pederson of the Senate

and

Dobrinski of the House

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6 A Concurrent Resolution designating April 15 as
7 Purple Up! For Military Kids Day in Oklahoma; and
8 thanking military families.
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10 WHEREAS, April is celebrated around the world as Month of the
11 Military Child with a special focus on April 15 as Purple Up! For
12 Military Kids Day; and

13 WHEREAS, the Month of the Military Child was established in 1986
14 by former United States Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger to
15 recognize the sacrifices made by military families and the important
16 role military children play in the armed forces community; and

17 WHEREAS, military children are special – just as their parents'
18 service requires tremendous sacrifice, so does theirs. This
19 includes frequent moves to watching their parents deployed numerous
20 times to combat zones around the world, and all the while not
21 knowing if their parents will return home safely; and

22 WHEREAS, military children represent the best of today's youth.
23 The strength and resilience they demonstrate through a multitude of
24 hardships deserves to be recognized and applauded; and

1 WHEREAS, there is a tradition in the military of wearing the
2 color purple, or the "purple suit", referring to a military activity
3 involving all branches of the military. All the service colors are
4 represented including Air Force blue, Army green, Navy blue, Marine
5 red, and Coast Guard blue, which are said to combine for the mutual
6 benefit of all into the color purple; and

7 WHEREAS, on April 15, the act of wearing purple supports and
8 celebrates the unique contributions of military children.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
10 OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
11 CONCURRING THEREIN:

12 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate designates April 15 as Purple Up!
13 For Military Kids Day in Oklahoma.

14 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate thanks military families and
15 their children for their service and sacrifice to our great nation
16 and state.

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1 Adopted by the Senate the 15th day of April, 2024.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Adopted by the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
6 2024.

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9 Presiding Officer of the House
10 of Representatives