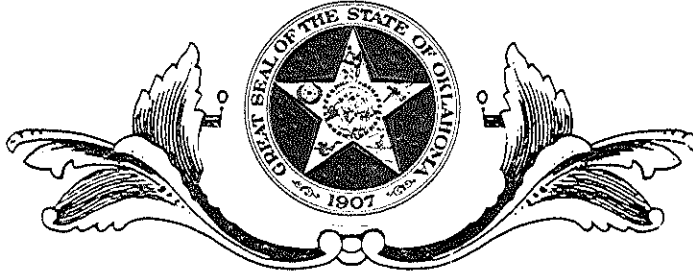


STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, native wildlife populations are an integral part of Oklahoma's natural environment, and serve as an indicator for the overall health of Oklahoma's statewide ecosystems; and

Whereas, each year in the U.S., more than 200 people are killed in wildlife-vehicle collisions, 26,000 are injured and more than 1.5 million animals are hit on roads; and

Whereas, the average cost of property damage from these collisions is over \$1 billion, and the total annual cost to society is \$8.4 billion; and

Whereas, the success of wildlife movement and survival in Oklahoma remains dependent upon continued public education and increased understanding of the essential role migration corridors play in wildlife movement; and

Whereas, wildlife watching is one of the most popular outdoor recreational activities for tourists in Oklahoma;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim third week in September, 2011 as

"Watch Out For Wildlife Awareness Week"

in the State of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 19th day of May, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and eleven, and of the State of Oklahoma in the One hundred and third year.

Michelle Day
Assistant
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR