

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, manufacturers are producing larger quantities of goods to meet demands during the pandemic; and

Whereas, there has been a 20% increase of recycling in Oklahoma, with residential and drop-off recycling playing a large role; and

Whereas, supply of Old Corrugated Cardboard (OCC) and sorted office paper declined rapidly after many offices, schools, and other paper users closed their doors at the start of the pandemic, with the decline being as high as 50% in some communities; and

Whereas, budget deficits impacted many recycling programs and caused uncertainty for the future of some programs, creating a twofold issue, but Oklahoma programs have been innovative in educating communities on how to lower waste generated during a pandemic in lieu of the suspended recycling programs early in the year; and

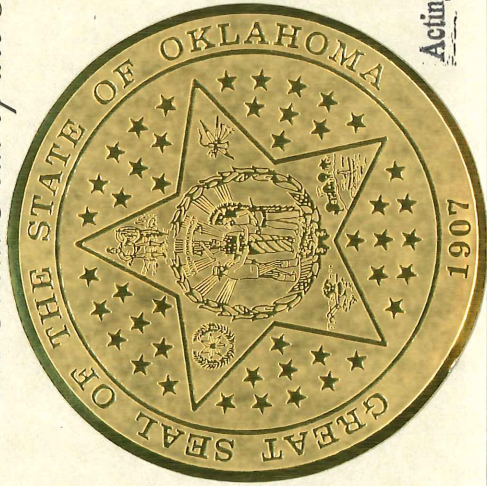
Whereas, participating in America Recycles Day in Oklahoma is another way citizens can help raise awareness about the need for less, recycling what can be recycled, and encouraging the purchase of recycle-made materials;

Now Therefore, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2020, as

"America Recycles Day"

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 twenty-third day of October, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and twelfth year.

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Acting Assistant SECRETARY OF STATE

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GOVERNOR