1	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION
2	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
3	2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)
4	ENGROSSED SENATE
5	CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6  By: Murdock of the Senate
6	and
7	Steagall of the House
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9	A Concurrent Resolution recognizing March 6 as Bob
10	Wills Day at the Capitol; celebrating the life and legacy of Oklahoma's son; thanking the Oklahoma
11	Historical Society and the Oklahoma Arts Council for their work; and directing distribution.
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13	WHEREAS, Bob Wills, born in 1905, began playing fiddle in his
14	youth before moving with his band, the Texas Playboys, to Oklahoma
15	in 1934 to pursue business and creative opportunities; and
16	WHEREAS, Bob Wills became known as the King of Western Swing as
17	he helped originate and popularize a unique genre of music rooted in
18	folk, jazz, and blues that would lead to the development of rock and
19	roll and modern country music; and
20	WHEREAS, Bob Wills entertained millions of people during his
21	heyday, performing twice weekly at what would become the historic
22	Cain's Ballroom in Tulsa, playing live daily radio broadcasts,
23	touring across the country, and appearing in more than a dozen
24	movies; and

WHEREAS, Bob Wills was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1968 and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1999, and was named one of the 40 Greatest Men of Country Music by Country Music Television; and

WHEREAS, Bob Wills' family has contributed his archival and artifacts collection to the Oklahoma Historical Society to be featured for future generations across from Cain's Ballroom at the forthcoming OKPOP Museum; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Arts Council and Oklahoma Historical Society have partnered to revive the tradition of Bob Wills Day at the Capitol, celebrating one of Oklahoma's most significant figures in the history of popular music who continues shining a bright light on our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes March 6 as Bob Wills Day at the Capitol.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature celebrates the life and legacy of Oklahoma's son, Bob Wills.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature thanks the Oklahoma
Historical Society and the Oklahoma Arts Council for their work to
honor Bob Wills and revive this special celebration at the Capitol.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma Historical Society and the Oklahoma Arts Council. DIRECT TO CALENDAR.