

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the year 2003 marks the 100th anniversary of a uniquely American invention, the Wright brothers discovery of powered flight; and

WHEREAS, the Experimental Aircraft Association is celebrating the Centennial of Flight through its nationwide "Countdown to Kitty Hawk" program in partnership with the National Park Service; and

WHEREAS, as part of that year-long celebration, EAA and the National Park Service have joined forces to conduct a "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk" initiative in which one EAA member from each of the 50 United States shall fly their respective State Flag to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, during 2003 to pay tribute to the Wright brothers, who were in fact the first "homebuilders"; and

WHEREAS, these 50 flags will become part of a permanent EAA/National Park Service display on the Wright Memorial grounds; and

WHEREAS, G. Michael Huffman of Cookson, Oklahoma, has been chosen by EAA to fly the Oklahoma State Flag to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRAD HENRY, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim June 3 – 5, 2003, as

"50 FLAGS TO KITTY HAWK DAYS"

in the State of Oklahoma,

and I urge all citizens to join me in this national celebration of the innovation and pioneering spirit of the Wright brothers and a century of powered flight.

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 14th day of May in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and three, and of the State of Oklahoma in the ninety-fifth year.

M. Susan Sawyer
SECRETARY OF STATE

Brad Henry
GOVERNOR