

**RESOLUTION HONORING
KEITH OWENS**

Whereas, Dr. Keith Owens, Associate Vice President of the Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment Station, at Oklahoma State University, will no longer participate directly in the activities of the Southern Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors; and

Whereas, Dr. Owens has, during his years of service, contributed significantly to the activities of the association by serving as its Chair-elect, Chair, and past-Chair from 2018 through 2021, providing leadership as an administrative advisor on several multistate research projects and serving as our representative on the ESCOP NRSP Review Committee and the NRSP1-Management Committee as well as providing input into other committees and boards;


Whereas, Dr. Owens' leadership and service was recognized with the 2021 Excellence in Leadership Award, which recognizes those who have served the Southern Experiment Stations, SAAESD, and the national Land-Grant System with exemplary distinction;

Whereas, Dr. Owens has served the Land-Grant mission of the State of Oklahoma, the Southern Region, and the U.S. with dedication and vision toward maintaining competitive, safe, profitable, efficient and sustainable agriculture;

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved That the Southern Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors, assembled in Olympic Valley, California on September 28, 2021 expresses sincere appreciation to Dr. Keith Owens for his dedication and outstanding service to the Southern Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors and wishes him every success in his professional endeavors.

Be It Further Resolved that the Chairperson of the Southern Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors be authorized and directed to transmit to Dr. Owens an appropriate copy of this resolution in honor of his leadership and contributions.





JF Meullenet, Chair

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