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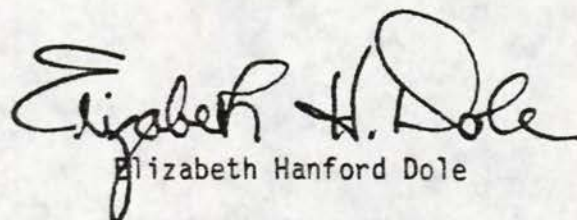
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MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

Every Oklahoma highway contractor can look with tremendous pride to the concrete and asphalt ribbons that criss-cross your beautiful state as part of the greatest transportation network in the world. The national highway system is a tribute to the individual competitive skills, professionalism and ingenuity of the people who built it. I want you to know how deeply I appreciate all highway contractors' efforts -- especially in building our highways and bridges for maximum safety and efficiency.

My congratulations to all the members of the Association of Oklahoma General Contractors on the occasion of your 50th Anniversary. As we go forward into the future let us continue to work for a safe, efficient highway system.

With all best wishes,


Elizabeth Hanford Dole