

**Enrolled**  
**House Concurrent Resolution 4**

Sponsored by Representative BROWN; Senator VERGER

Whereas in 1866, portions of the central Oregon coast were opened for settlement by the federal government; and

Whereas John Graham and William Mackey, seeking a more temperate climate and more fertile land, traveled with their families by horse and by boat to Oregon, settling at the confluence of Depot Slough and the Yaquina River, each filing donation land claims on the acreage surrounding this site; and

Whereas the settlement's first post office was established on July 14, 1868, at the home of William Mackey; and

Whereas the Grahams named the new settlement for their former home in Toledo, Ohio; and

Whereas abundant natural resources promised prosperity for those willing to work a land claim, helping the young community to grow and prosper; and

Whereas many small sawmills processed the easily accessible timber while the many waterways provided easy transport; and

Whereas Lincoln County was formed in 1893, stretching from the western portions of Benton and Polk Counties to the Pacific Ocean, and Toledo became the seat of the new county; and

Whereas World War I brought the U.S. Army Signal Corps to Toledo to build the biggest spruce sawmill in the world and brought logging railroads into the woods, giving the small town the infrastructure to harvest stands of spruce and fir; and

Whereas timber has historically provided the economic base for Toledo and continues to do so today, as Georgia-Pacific Toledo Pulp and Paper Operations employs one of the largest workforces in Lincoln County, and the Plum Creek Timber Company continues to manage the timberlands to ensure that timber will remain an abundant resource in Toledo's future; and

Whereas Oregon's rural communities provide cherished homes and valuable support to families; now, therefore,

**Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

That we, the members of the Seventy-third Legislative Assembly, commemorate the 100th anniversary of the City of Toledo, celebrated on February 18, 2005, and convey our warmest regards to its residents.

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Adopted by House February 18, 2005

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Chief Clerk of House

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Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate March 17, 2005

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President of Senate