

House Concurrent Resolution 4

Sponsored by Representative BROWN; Senator VERGER

SUMMARY

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Commemorates centennial of City of Toledo.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas in 1865, portions of the central Oregon coast were opened for settlement by the federal
3 government; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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