House Concurrent Resolution 5

Sponsored by Representatives LIM, MINNIS, Senator MONNES ANDERSON

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Commemorates 100th anniversary of Gresham and designates February 11 as City of Gresham Day.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas on February 11, 1905, the area now known as Gresham, then a rural village, incorporated as a city and has since become Oregon's fourth largest city; and

Whereas the City of Gresham celebrates the spirit and adventure of Jackson Powell, founder of Powell Valley, and John Powell, who was the first doctor in Gresham and who staked his land claim in 1852, as well as other pioneers to the region; and

Whereas the City of Gresham got its name from the enterprising mind of local merchant Benjamin Rollins, who believed a post office would develop more trade in his local store, and who also correctly believed that a city that shared the surname of the Postmaster General at the time, Walter Q. Gresham, would likely be approved; and

Whereas recognition is appropriate for the first city officers, Mayor Lewis Shattuck, City Recorder H. L. St. Clair, City Treasurer George Kenney and Councilors J. H. Metsger, J. G. Metsger, John Conley, T. R. Howitt, Charles Merrill and J. D. Regner; and

Whereas residents of the City of Gresham still embody the pioneering, adventurous and enterprising qualities of its founders; and

Whereas a year-long calendar of fun-filled and meaningful events open to the community has been established in celebration of Gresham's centennial; and

Whereas the city's ongoing commitment to culture and art is recognized in the community's vision for the Gresham Center for the Arts, which is recognized as the Centennial Legacy Project; and

Whereas the City of Gresham's current elected officials, Mayor Charles Becker, Council President Shane Bemis and Councilors Shirley Craddick, Karylinn Echols, Jacquenette McIntire, Dave Shields and Paul Warr-King, along with City Manager Erik Kvarsten, join in the celebration of Gresham's past, present and future; 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 Gresham, celebrated on February 11 and 12, 2005, convey our warmest regards to its residents and designate February 11 as City of Gresham Day.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.