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House Concurrent Resolution 15

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Whereas Mark O. Hatfield, a native son of Oregon, was born in Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, on July 12, 1922; and

Whereas Mark O. Hatfield graduated from Oregon's Willamette University in 1943 and earned his graduate degree from Stanford University in 1948; and

Whereas Mark O. Hatfield honorably served his country as an officer in the United States Navy and fought bravely at Iwo Jima and Okinawa and in other theaters of World War II; and

Whereas in 1951 Mark O. Hatfield began his distinguished career of public service by being elected to the Oregon House of Representatives, joined the Oregon Senate in 1955, was elected Oregon Secretary of State in 1957 and served as Oregon Governor from 1959 to 1967; and

Whereas Mark O. Hatfield represented the people of the State of Oregon as their United States Senator from 1967 to 1997; and

Whereas in 1953 he successfully carried the bill to ban racial and religious discrimination in Oregon; and

Whereas in 1960 he successfully launched economic development programs to diversify the state's economy; and

Whereas he helped to preserve Oregon's unique beauty by playing a key role in passing wilderness protection bills, at the same time supporting the state's natural resource industries; and

Whereas Mark O. Hatfield founded the Oregon Graduate Center, which helped to foster the state's high-tech industry; and

Whereas over many years, United States Senator Mark O. Hatfield delivered much-needed federal funding for Oregon projects, such as light rail and Columbia River dams, and for many educational institutions, particularly Oregon Health and Science University; and

Whereas he led the Congressional effort to establish the Columbia River National Scenic Area; and

Whereas Mark O. Hatfield has spent a lifetime working for what he called "the desperate human needs in our midst" by improving health, education and social service programs; and

Whereas throughout his career of public service, Mark O. Hatfield has consistently improved the lives of Oregonians and earned bipartisan respect from his colleagues for his ability to work across party lines and build coalitions that benefit Oregon; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-third Legislative Assembly, express our gratitude to Mark O. Hatfield for his years of service to our state, for the profound substance of his work, for the timeless effect it will have on the State of Oregon and for the extraordinary example he has set for all of those who endeavor to serve their communities through public office; and be it further

Resolved, That we declare this day as a day of honor and tribute to Oregon's native son, Mark O. Hatfield.

Adopted by House April 26, 2005

Chief Clerk of House

Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate May 23, 2005

President of Senate