

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Be Adopted
Vote:	8 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Clem, Dallum, Greenlick, Komp, Lim, Roblan, Whisnant, Buckley
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Krummel
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Meeting Dates:	5/07

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs elder Gladys Miller Thompson for her contribution to preserving Native languages in Oregon.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Gladys Miller Thompson's efforts to preserve the Kiksht language
- Efforts to document Kiksht alphabet and stories/legends
- Languages of the Warm Springs, Wasco, and Paiute Native American Tribes of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation
- Importance of cultural/linguistic preservation

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Gladys Miller Thompson devoted her life to service to her fellow tribal members of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon. Gladys Thompson learned Kiksht, the language of the Wasco people. She also became fluent in Ichishkiin and Sahaptin languages of the Columbia Plateau.

Gladys Thompson is teaching Kiksht to her grandchildren and to many members of the Warm Springs Tribes and is one of three surviving fluent Kiksht speakers.

The Senate Education and General Government Committee gave SCR 8 a Be Adopted recommendation with a 5-0-0 vote, and it passed the Senate 25-0-5.