

# House Joint Resolution 24

Sponsored by Representative BOQUIST (at the request of Robert Walsh)

## SUMMARY

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Designates January 29 of every year as "Thomas Paine Day."

## JOINT RESOLUTION

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2       Whereas Thomas Paine, a leader of the American Revolution and one of the Founding Fathers,  
3 peer of Washington, Madison, Franklin and Jefferson, was also one of the most brilliant political  
4 philosophers of his time; and

5       Whereas Thomas Paine crystallized the decision of the Colonies for independence with his work  
6 "Common Sense"; and

7       Whereas Thomas Paine supported the revolution through personal service, his fortune and his  
8 inspirational "Crisis Papers"; and

9       Whereas Thomas Paine was the first to promote universal and equal education for boys and  
10 girls, equality for women, religious freedom and to suggest a League of Nations; and

11       Whereas his life and work continue to inspire those who seek liberty and democracy all over  
12 the world; now, therefore,

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

14       That we, the members of the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly, designate January 29 of every  
15 year as "Thomas Paine Day" and urge all Oregonians to commemorate this day in honor of Thomas  
16 Paine and his accomplishments.

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**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.