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House Resolution 4

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Whereas diabetes is a chronic disease for which there is currently no known cure and is the sixth leading cause of death in this country; and

Whereas the serious long term implications of high blood sugar levels caused by diabetes may include blindness, lower extremity amputation, heart disease, kidney failure and premature death; and

Whereas in recent years the number of individuals diagnosed with diabetes has increased 41 percent; and

Whereas nine out of 10 adults who are newly diagnosed with adult onset diabetes are obese; and

Whereas this country faces a diabetes epidemic because an estimated 20.8 million Americans are living with diabetes; and

Whereas the keys to reducing the incidence of and complications associated with diabetes are education, early detection, control of blood sugar and proper treatment; and

Whereas the first line of recommended treatment is diet, exercise and weight loss; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly, encourage all Oregonians to seek early screening for diabetes and encourage health care providers to engage in aggressive programs with their diabetic patients, including dietary counseling, instructions on proper exercise and measurements of body weight.

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Chief Clerk of House

Speaker of House