Senate Concurrent Resolution 5

Sponsored by Senator GORDLY

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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.**

In memoriam: Madeline Brunoe McInturff, 1915-2006.

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 Whereas the late Madeline Brunoe McInturff devoted her life in service to her fellow tribal 3 members of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon until passing away 4 last year; and

5 Whereas *atwai* Madeline McInturff was born in Warm Springs, Oregon, in 1915, and learned 6 *Kiksht*, the language of the Wasco people of *Che'wana*, the great Columbia River, spoke *Kiksht* 7 fluently and taught it to her five children and to many members of the Warm Springs tribes, and 8 her passing leaves only three fluent *Kiksht* speakers where once there were several thousand; and

9 Whereas Madeline McInturff served her people as a nurse in the Indian Health Service for 38 10 years from 1946 to 1984, providing care to generations of tribal members on the Warm Springs In-11 dian Reservation and training many Indian Health Service doctors in the traditions and customs of 12 the Wasco people, bridging the cultural gap between Indian elders and medical professionals to im-13 prove the health of her people; and

Whereas Madeline McInturff was also an accomplished horsewoman who competed as a trick rider in many rodeos and rode in numerous parades to demonstrate the pride and skill of her people; and

17 Whereas Madeline McInturff served her people upon retirement and for a quarter century 18 thereafter as a member of the Warm Springs Cultural and Heritage Committee and her dedication 19 to the preservation of Indian ways was a source of inspiration for members of the Confederated 20 Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon and will benefit all future generations of her 21 tribe; and

22 Whereas Madeline McInturff strove courageously until the end of her life to preserve the sacred 23 way of life and the language given to her people by the Creator and in so doing set an example of 24 love and strength against great adversity; and

Whereas in July 2006, at the age of 91, this revered spiritual leader and healer passed away at her home in Warm Springs; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly, mourn the passing of Madeline Brunoe McInturff, and recognize her significant accomplishments in preserving one of the great Native languages of Oregon and providing health care to thousands of Wasco, Warm Springs,

- 31 Paiute and other tribal members; and be it further
- 32 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the Brunoe family of Warm Springs and

1 to the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon.

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