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Senate Joint Memorial 7

Sponsored by Senator GORDLY, Representative MERKLEY; Senator CARTER

To the President of the United States, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior and the commanding officer of the United States Army Corps of Engineers:

We, your memorialists, the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent as follows:

Whereas members of the Wyampum people have lived at Celilo Falls, or Wyam, for at least 11 millennia and remain there despite repeated attempts of the United States to remove them from their home; and

Whereas the Wyampum people have endured great hardships resulting from the flooding of Celilo Falls by The Dalles Dam, the immense reduction in salmon in their fishing grounds and the lack of services for their community; and

Whereas Celilo Village lies on federal land set aside for native fishing and to provide some relief for the great loss suffered as a result of the flooding of Celilo Falls; and

Whereas Congress has recognized the dire need of the residents of Celilo Village for housing and has appropriated funds for the last three years for the Celilo Village Housing Restoration Project; and

Whereas the housing restoration work at Celilo Village is only partly completed and any cut in funding will result in great hardship for the Wyampum people as they have been temporarily relocated to allow the construction to be completed; now, therefore,

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

(1) The Congress of the United States of America is respectfully urged to appropriate adequate funding for completion of the Celilo Village Housing Restoration Project.

(2) A copy of this memorial shall be sent to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior, the commanding officer of the United States Army Corps of Engineers and to each member of the Oregon Congressional Delegation.

Adopted by Senate March 12, 2007

Secretary of Senate

President of Senate

Adopted by House May 14, 2007

Speaker of House