75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session MEASURE: CARRIER:

House Committee on Sustainability & Economic Development

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Be Adopted **Vote:** 7 - 0 - 1

Yeas: Bailey, Bentz, Galizio, Gilliam, Holvey, Witt, Read

Nays: 0

Exc.: Thatcher

Prepared By: Barbara Allen, Administrator

Meeting Dates: 2/10

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors the life of Bryan Johnston, 1949-2008. Expresses the state's deep appreciation for his outstanding service to Oregon and delineates his many professional and personal accomplishments.

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Rep. Read

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Mr. Johnston's son, Drew, spoke about his father's career and thanked (former) Rep. Tony Corcoran for authoring the resolution
- Arthur Towers, representing the Service Employees International Union and Duke Shepard, representing the AFL-CIO, spoke of their high regard for Mr. Johnston
- Rep. Gilliam added kind words as well

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: As Willamette University's president, Lee Pelton, wrote in a statement to the university community shortly after Mr. Johnston's death on June 7, 2008:

"Bryan approached his life and work with passion and vigor, humor and warmth. His enormous generosity of spirit, his razor-sharp wit and his infinite capacity to lead and inspire others were the hallmark of all he undertook as husband and father, college professor, Atkinson (Graduate School of Management) Dean, interim Willamette (University) president, mediator, legislator, and the top administrator of some of the largest and most complex agencies in state government."