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Senate Concurrent Resolution 11

Sponsored by Senators WALKER, PROZANSKI, Representatives J SMITH, BRUUN; Senators BONAMICI, COURTNEY, MORRISSETTE, MORSE, WINTERS, Representatives BARNHART, BEYER, C EDWARDS, HOLVEY, NATHANSON, STIEGLER

Whereas James Klonoski was born on March 24, 1925, in the small “Iron Range” town of Virginia in northern Minnesota and passed away on January 30, 2009, in Springfield, Oregon, at the age of 83; and

Whereas James Klonoski served as a private in the United States Army during World War II in Korea and taught civics as a sergeant to deploying soldiers during the Korean conflict; and

Whereas James Klonoski earned a bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree from the University of Minnesota and a doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Michigan; and

Whereas James Klonoski was a professor of political science at the University of Oregon beginning in 1961 and continuing until his retirement in 1997; and

Whereas James Klonoski served as a professor emeritus at the University of Oregon from 1999 to 2002; and

Whereas James Klonoski’s teaching shaped the political discourse for tens of thousands of Oregonians by challenging students’ minds and stirring their hearts, including some who serve in the Legislative Assembly today; and

Whereas James Klonoski’s role as an active citizen included serving as the chairman of the Lane County Democratic Party from 1970 to 1974 and the Oregon Democratic Party from 1974 to 1980; and

Whereas James Klonoski helped to pioneer the political tax credit in Oregon; and

Whereas James Klonoski served on the Lane County Fair Board, where he led the community in the construction of the Lane County Ice Center; and

Whereas James Klonoski served on the Oregon State Fair Board; and

Whereas James Klonoski loved, supported and mentored his wife of 30 years, Ann Aiken, the first woman to serve as chief judge for Oregon’s United States District Court; and

Whereas James Klonoski supported and raised his eight children, Kevin, Tom, Katherine, Jake, Nick, Zach, Sam and Chris to share his unshakable commitment to serve the public good; and

Whereas James Klonoski, a member of the Greatest Generation, believed in the power of an informed and active citizenry to remake society and that politics properly understood excites us because of its lasting impact on the lives of people, nations and the world; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly, express our condolences to James Klonoski’s family and honor and express our appreciation for James Klonoski’s legacy of outstanding service, for his devotion to his community and for his contributions to Oregon; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented to James Klonoski’s wife, Ann, and to his eight children.

Adopted by Senate April 8, 2009

Secretary of Senate

President of Senate

Adopted by House May 12, 2009

Speaker of House