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Senate Concurrent Resolution 12

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Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant was born in Prineville, Oregon, on February 20, 1957, and was killed in the line of duty on December 12, 2008, as a result of a bomb explosion; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant grew up in the Salem area and, after graduating from Sprague High School in 1975, continued his education by obtaining an associate degree from Chemeketa Community College in 1977 and a bachelor's degree in Social Science from the Oregon College of Education (now Western Oregon University) in 1979; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant, while attending high school, was a member of the Salem Police Department Cadet Unit, which he helped organize in 1974; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant pursued a career in law enforcement beginning with the Hubbard and Salem Police Departments before moving to the Woodburn Police Department in September 1980; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in July 1989, attended and graduated from the FBI National Academy in December 1993 and was promoted to Captain in November 2004; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant was proud to be a part of the Woodburn Police Department, was fiercely loyal to his officers and members of the department and had a strong desire to impart the knowledge that he had gained over the years to younger officers; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant's first priority was his wife, Mary, and three children, Becky, Jenny and Scott, who were his pride and joy, no matter how busy his schedule became; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant took every opportunity to enjoy and support his wife and children by volunteering at school and athletic events, including St. Luke Catholic School, Woodburn High School, Woodburn High School Bulldog Foundation and Blanchet Catholic School; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant was a member of various community service organizations and volunteered his time on community events and fundraisers held by the Kiwanis, American Cancer Society and the City of Woodburn; and

Whereas Thomas Paul Tennant loved the outdoors and enjoyed many activities with his family and friends, including hunting, shooting, fishing, camping, hiking, boating and riding his all-terrain vehicle; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly, on behalf of all Oregonians, recognize, honor and express our gratitude to Thomas Paul Tennant for his service to the State of Oregon; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution shall be presented to his family as an expression of our esteem, appreciation and condolences.

Adopted by Senate May 6, 2009

Secretary of Senate

President of Senate

Adopted by House June 4, 2009

Speaker of House