

## Enrolled

# Senate Concurrent Resolution 3

Sponsored by Senator HASS

Whereas James Willard Bosley was born in Great Falls, Montana, on February 3, 1935, and passed away in Portland, Oregon, on April 6, 2008, at the age of 73; and

Whereas James Bosley, affectionately known to his fans as “The Boz,” spent more than 40 years in the television broadcasting business, beginning in Klamath Falls at KOTI-TV and then moving to Portland in 1962 as the promotion manager for KATU-TV, Channel 2; and

Whereas James Bosley in 1966 became KATU’s chief meteorologist and on-air weather forecaster, which began his love affair with the viewing public; and

Whereas James Bosley was well-known for his signature “1 to 10” weather rating scale, a scale appreciated by viewers as a quick way to determine the day’s weather; and

Whereas James Bosley added talk-show host to his duties when “AM Northwest” was created in 1975, becoming the highest rated local talk show in the country and making “The Boz” the most recognizable personality in Oregon; and

Whereas James Bosley in 2000, at the age of 65, left his on-air positions, but was asked to remain at Channel 2 as its “Goodwill Ambassador” for another year; and

Whereas James Bosley in 2003 received the National Television Academy’s coveted Northwest Regional Silver Circle Emmy Award, an award given only to individuals who “have made a significant contribution to both their industry and the community”; and

Whereas James Bosley also worked for a Portland advertising agency and won a prestigious award for a local bank commercial he created; and

Whereas James Bosley was knighted by Portland’s Royal Rosarians in 1974 and was the Master of Ceremonies for many Miss Oregon Pageants and Rose Festival Queen Coronations; and

Whereas James Bosley, in 2007, was asked to ride in the Rose Festival’s Centennial Grand Floral Parade on their “Hundred Person Float,” which was “a special entry honoring Oregonians who have influenced the festival’s success”; and

Whereas James Bosley devoted much of his personal time to doing good deeds and was honored with more than 70 awards of merit for working with charitable and service organizations, going on door-to-door food drives, participating in school and church fund-raisers, working hard on the Muscular Dystrophy and Doernbecher Hospital telethons and leading walkathons for other good Oregon causes; and

Whereas James Bosley, after participating in several fund-raisers for Chemeketa Community College, was presented with its 2003 Volunteer of the Year Award; and

Whereas James Bosley, after visiting the Fiji Islands and promoting them here in Oregon, was appointed Honorary Consul to the Republic of Fiji by that country and the United States Department of State; and

Whereas James Bosley, after his retirement, urged other retirees to make a difference in their communities, sharing his creative art-mosaic glass covered pots-and showing others how to make the pots on programs such as “Oregon Art Beat” and as a guest on KATU’s “AM Northwest”; and

Whereas James Bosley brought joy and smiles everywhere he went in Oregon, and was so deeply rooted in our state that many people thought of him as a relative; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly, recognize and express our appreciation for James Bosley's service in the Oregon television industry and his legacy of commitment and devotion to his community on behalf of all Oregonians and the State of Oregon.

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Adopted by Senate February 26, 2009

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Secretary of Senate

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President of Senate

Adopted by House March 18, 2009

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Speaker of House