

Senate Concurrent Resolution 4

Sponsored by Senator BATES, Representative BUCKLEY

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

In memoriam: Hank Collins, 1951-2008.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas Hank Collins was born on November 12, 1951, in northeastern Tennessee and passed
3 away in Portland on February 12, 2008; and

4 Whereas Hank Collins, after graduating from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville with a
5 bachelor of science degree, earned a master's degree in public health and began a career in health
6 administration; and

7 Whereas Hank Collins, before coming to Jackson County in Oregon, was the Health Director in
8 Anson and Richmond counties in North Carolina; and

9 Whereas Hank Collins began his employment with Jackson County in June of 1987 as the Health
10 Director and was appointed the Jackson County Health and Human Services Director in November
11 1989; and

12 Whereas Hank Collins led the movement toward integrating the social service system in Jackson
13 County; and

14 Whereas under Hank Collins' leadership the integration of county social services has become a
15 national model of effective collaboration; and

16 Whereas Hank Collins facilitated the first county wood stove/open burning mandatory curtail-
17 ment ordinance, resulting in Jackson County going from one of the worst air quality environments
18 to consistent compliance with the Clean Air Act; and

19 Whereas Hank Collins launched groundbreaking and effective needle exchange programs, a
20 methadone clinic for addicts, family planning services and programs for persistent and severe mental
21 illness; and

22 Whereas Hank Collins always sought to provide the best treatment and case management ser-
23 vices possible even in the face of political criticism; and

24 Whereas Hank Collins worked tirelessly to keep the department's programs going despite
25 changes in staffing in the offices of the board of county commissioners and the county's shrinking
26 budget; and

27 Whereas Hank Collins served on the founding board of directors for Kids Unlimited, Medford's
28 popular youth program; and

29 Whereas Hank Collins was the driving force behind the Jefferson Regional Health Alliance, the
30 family drug court and the Methamphetamine Task Force, which serve as models for this state; and

31 Whereas Hank Collins was not afraid to support new ideas, consistently questioned the status
32 quo and always wanted to know how he could make things better; and

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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1 Whereas Hank Collins will be remembered for his keen intellect and a dogged determination to
2 make this community a better place; and

3 Whereas Hank Collins was married for 26 years to his beloved wife, Cydne, and was a brother
4 to two sisters and the only son of his parents; now, therefore,

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

6 That we, the members of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly, extend our deepest sympathy
7 to Hank Collins' wife, Cydne, and to Hank Collins' family and friends; and be it further

8 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be presented to the wife of Hank Collins and to the
9 family of Hank Collins as an expression of our condolences.

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