

Senate Concurrent Resolution 7

Sponsored by Senator MONROE; Representative SCHAUFLEER

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**.

Congratulates William Paul Young for his success as author of "The Shack."

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas William Paul Young of Happy Valley, Oregon, is the author of the best-selling novel "The Shack"; and

Whereas "The Shack" uses Oregon's rich and diverse locations as the setting for its story, specifically the Columbia River Gorge and Willowa Mountains; and

Whereas there are more than 5.5 million copies of "The Shack" in print; and

Whereas as of January 29, 2009, "The Shack" was listed as the number seven best-seller on Amazon.com, number seven best-seller at Borders bookstore, the number 13 best-seller at Barnes and Noble and was number one on the New York Times Trade Fiction best-seller list for 35 straight weeks; and

Whereas "The Shack" has been translated into other languages and is being reprinted in 23 foreign countries; and

Whereas "The Shack" has had a profound healing effect on the lives of readers, including many parents of sexually abused or murdered children, victims of abuse and others in need of healing from sadness or depression in their lives; and

Whereas "The Shack" has attracted worldwide interest in Oregon; and

Whereas "The Shack" has attracted travelers to Oregon, resulting in economic benefit to many communities and businesses; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly, wish to commend William Paul Young on his accomplishment as an Oregon author; and be it further

Resolved, That we wish to extend our gratitude to William Paul Young and his publisher, Windblown Media, for their part in promoting tourism and commerce in our state and we wish them continued success in related future endeavors.

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