

Enrolled
House Concurrent Resolution 22

Sponsored by Representatives KRIEGER, GARRARD

Whereas Allen Harry Boice was born on November 29, 1926, in Langlois, Oregon, the 11th of 12 children, and passed away in Sutherlin on November 1, 2010; and

Whereas Allen Boice attended Langlois schools for most of his formal education until he quit school in his junior year to join the United States Marine Corps; and

Whereas Allen Boice was among the Marines sent to Japan as part of the occupation forces, serving there from September 1945 to June 1946, and then shipped out to China, where he was with the occupation forces as a China Marine until March 1947, when he was honorably discharged; and

Whereas although Allen Boice was best known as the Curry County Sheriff from 1967 to 1977, he worked at a variety of jobs, including logger, bartender and owner of a service station, and after his retirement as Curry County Sheriff he became the owner of the Paradise Bar Lodge on the Rogue River; and

Whereas Allen Boice in 1962 was asked to take the job as Chief Deputy, a position he held until his resignation a few years later; and

Whereas Allen Boice later filed for the position of sheriff and was elected in 1967; and

Whereas one of his first acts as Curry County Sheriff was to institute new rules for prisoners, eliminating frivolous magazines and gourmet meals the prisoners had been getting and putting trustees to work on projects throughout Curry County; and

Whereas Allen Boice earned his general education diploma (GED) and in 1974 was accepted at the Federal Bureau of Investigation school in Quantico, Virginia, where he became proficient in operating lie detector equipment; and

Whereas Allen Boice organized a Sheriff's Posse and started a search and rescue program that proved invaluable to people lost in the rugged backcountry of Curry County; and

Whereas in 1972, in response to a complaint about abandoned junk cars, Allen Boice with his crew collected 666 cars that were crushed and taken to recycling stations; and

Whereas Allen Boice was one of the first to realize the dangerous impacts of illegal drugs, and in 1969 and 1970 he presented almost 25 programs on the dangers of narcotics at high schools, parent-teacher associations, service clubs and to any other groups that would listen; and

Whereas Allen Boice submitted his resignation as Curry County Sheriff in 1977, after which time he and his wife, Meryl, operated the Paradise Bar Lodge for several years; and

Whereas Allen Boice continued on the property for many years and finally turned it over to his son and daughter-in-law in 1982; and

Whereas Allen Boice made many improvements to the Paradise Bar Lodge over those years, turning it into one of the finest lodges on the Rogue River, with thousands of people, including Presidents, Senators, actors and athletes enjoying a stay there; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly, send our condolences to the family of Allen Harry Boice and express gratitude and appreciation for his years of dedicated and forward thinking as Curry County Sheriff and for his contributions to the betterment of the residents of Curry County; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Allen Harry Boice as an expression of our condolences.

Adopted by House April 18, 2011

Ramona Kenady Line, Chief Clerk of House

Bruce Hanna, Speaker of House

Arnie Roblan, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate June 13, 2011

Peter Courtney, President of Senate