

**Enrolled**  
**House Concurrent Resolution 40**

Sponsored by Representative ROBLAN, Senator KRUSE; Senator VERGER

Whereas Coos County has suffered greatly with the deaths of two county commissioners in 2011; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was elected to the Coos County Board of Commissioners in 1998; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was known as a Coos County resident whose “heart was all Coos County”; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty’s early career was in real estate and as a development company executive; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty held several positions in state government, including service as a legislative assistant to her husband Representative Jim Whitty, a legislative assistant to Senator John Brennehan, a caucus administrator for Senator C.T. “Cub” Houck and an executive assistant to State Treasurer Tony Meeker; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was the south coast area manager for CCD Business Development Corporation until she was elected as a Coos County commissioner; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was active on local and state boards, commissions and task forces, including Governor Ted Kulongoski’s 2006 Oregon Task Force on Land Use Planning and the Coos County Fair Board; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was chair of Rural Development Initiatives, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping rural communities; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was chair of the Association of Oregon Counties, District 4; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was active with the Coquille Rotary Club; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was a Paul Harris Fellow and Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary Patriotic Instructor; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was well respected across the State of Oregon for her bipartisan approach to solving problems; and

Whereas Nikki Whitty was a loving wife, mother and grandmother; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly, express our gratitude for the selfless, dedicated service of Nikki Whitty as a Coos County commissioner and servant of this state, and on behalf of all Oregonians, we thank her and remember the profound work that she performed for the residents of Coos County and the citizens of this state; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented with our condolences to Nikki Whitty’s family.

Adopted by House June 2, 2011

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Ramona Kenady Line, Chief Clerk of House

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Bruce Hanna, Speaker of House

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Arnie Roblan, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate June 15, 2011

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate