

House Concurrent Resolution 41

Sponsored by Representative GREENLICK, Senators JOHNSON, ATKINSON, Representative BREWER, Senators MONNES ANDERSON, STARR, BURDICK; Representatives BAILEY, BARKER, BARNHART, BENTZ, BERGER, BEYER, BOONE, BUCKLEY, CAMERON, CANNON, CLEM, CONGER, COWAN, DEMBROW, DOHERTY, ESQUIVEL, FREDERICK, FREEMAN, GARRARD, GARRETT, GELSER, GILLIAM, HANNA, HARKER, HICKS, HOLVEY, HOYLE, HUFFMAN, HUNT, JENSON, JOHNSON, KENNEMER, KOMP, KOTEK, KRIEGER, LINDSAY, MATTHEWS, MCLANE, NATHANSON, NOLAN, OLSON, PARRISH, READ, RICHARDSON, ROBLAN, SCHAUFLEER, SHEEHAN, G SMITH, J SMITH, SPRENGER, THATCHER, THOMPSON, TOMEI, WAND, WEIDNER, WHISNANT, WINGARD, WITT, Senators BATES, BEYER, BONAMICI, BOQUIST, COURTNEY, DEVLIN, DINGFELDER, EDWARDS, FERRIOLI, GEORGE, GIROD, HASS, KRUSE, MONROE, MORSE, NELSON, OLSEN, PROZANSKI, ROSENBAUM, SHIELDS, TELFER, THOMSEN, VERGER, WHITSETT, WINTERS

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: Harold J. Schnitzer, 1923-2011.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas Harold J. Schnitzer was born on June 8, 1923, and passed away on April 27, 2011, in
3 Portland, Oregon; and

4 Whereas Harold J. Schnitzer was the fifth of seven children of Russian immigrants who trans-
5 formed a junk business into a steel empire; and

6 Whereas Harold J. Schnitzer worked as a boy earning 25 cents per week polishing metal in his
7 father's scrap yards and by the age of 16 was studying metallurgy at Massachusetts Institute of
8 Technology, graduating in 1944; and

9 Whereas Harold J. Schnitzer served his country for three years in World War II until his dis-
10 charge from the United States Army in 1947; and

11 Whereas in 1950, Harold J. Schnitzer formed his own real estate company, Harsch Investment
12 Properties, building it with his wife and son into a major business with 225 employees owning and
13 operating 21,000,000 square feet of industrial, office, retail and multifamily properties in five western
14 states; and

15 Whereas Harold J. Schnitzer devoted much of his life to charitable activities affecting every
16 corner of our state; and

17 Whereas Harold J. Schnitzer and his wife Arlene have donated more than \$80 million in chari-
18 table contributions, assisting the Portland Art Museum and the Pacific Northwest College of Art,
19 establishing the Harold Schnitzer Diabetes Health Center at Oregon Health and Science University,
20 as well as founding Judaic studies programs at the University of Oregon and Portland State Uni-
21 versity and a wide range of other cultural and social service organizations; and

22 Whereas Harold J. Schnitzer touched the lives of all those he encountered, directly and indi-
23 rectly, leading by example; and

24 Whereas Harold J. Schnitzer inspired scores of philanthropists with his life philosophy: "I feel
25 we each have a mission in life . . . Decide what you want to do to help others, and if you're fortu-
26 nate like we have been, move ahead and do it. I'm very pleased with what we have done. I feel

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1 that's what we're here to do.”; now, therefore,

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

3 That we, the members of the Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly, express our condolences to
4 Harold J. Schnitzer's family, express the sense of loss the State of Oregon has sustained, and express
5 our sincere gratitude to Harold J. Schnitzer for the example he has set for all those who will follow
6 him in caring for others, particularly our youth, and in preserving our community, our culture and
7 the arts.

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