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SUMMARY

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Commemorates victory by University of Oregon's football program in 2012 Rose Bowl **and other athletic, academic and public service achievements by 2011 University of Oregon football team.**

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas the 2011 University of Oregon football team concluded one of the top seasons in the
3 sport of football in this state by winning the 2012 Rose Bowl, arguably the most significant victory
4 by the University of Oregon football program in its storied 118-year history; and

5 Whereas that win resulted in the 2011 University of Oregon football team being crowned
6 champions of the 2012 Rose Bowl, the second such crowning for the University of Oregon football
7 team in the 110-year history of the Rose Bowl, and the first such crowning for the University of
8 Oregon football program since 1917; and

9 Whereas by sending a team to play in the 98th Rose Bowl, the University of Oregon was re-
10 presented in a Bowl Championship Series game for three consecutive years, the only university in
11 the country to achieve that distinction in 2011; and

12 Whereas the University of Oregon football program was the only Football Bowl Subdivision
13 program to earn a top five ranking in each of the past two seasons; and

14 Whereas the University of Oregon football program was one of just two Football Bowl Subdivi-
15 sion programs to earn a top 25 ranking in each of the past five seasons; and

16 Whereas the 2011 University of Oregon football team won the inaugural Pacific-12 Conference
17 Football Championship Game on December 2, 2011; and

18 Whereas by virtue of that win, the University of Oregon football program received its third
19 consecutive outright conference football title; and

20 Whereas the University of Oregon football program is just the third football program in the
21 Pacific Conference to win three consecutive outright conference football championships since the
22 conference expanded to 10 teams in 1978; and

23 Whereas LaMichael James, running back for the 2011 University of Oregon football team, be-
24 came the first two-time consensus All-American in the university's history, led all Football Bowl
25 Subdivision players in yards rushed per game for the 2011 season and established many University
26 of Oregon records for rushing yards in a season and career; and

27 Whereas Freshman All-American and all-purpose standout De'Anthony Thomas led all Football

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1 Bowl Subdivision freshmen in scoring touchdowns and, with a 91-yard run, set a Rose Bowl record
2 for longest run from scrimmage; and

3 Whereas Darron Thomas, quarterback for the 2011 University of Oregon football team, led his
4 teammates to the 2012 Rose Bowl with 2,700 passing yards, 33 passing touchdowns and just seven
5 interceptions for the season; and

6 Whereas Carson York, offensive lineman for the 2011 University of Oregon football team, earned
7 the honor of being selected as the university's 84th member of the Academic All-America team; and

8 Whereas tight end David Paulson and offensive linemen Mark Asper and Carson York earned
9 the honor of being selected to the Pacific-12 Conference's All-Academic First Team for the sport of
10 football; and

11 Whereas wide receiver Justin Hoffman and defensive tackle Taylor Hart earned the honor of
12 being selected to the Pacific-12 Conference's All-Academic Second Team for the sport of football;
13 and

14 Whereas wide receiver Daryle Hawkins, placekicker Alejandro Maldonado, punter Jackson Rice,
15 tight end Nick Musgrove, defensive end Tony Washington and linebackers Michael Clay, Keloni
16 Kamalani and Derrick Malone were honorably mentioned as considerations for those teams; and

17 Whereas the 2011 University of Oregon football team had more selections and honorably men-
18 tioned considerations for the Pacific-12 Conference's All-Academic First and Second Teams than any
19 other Pacific-12 football team in 2011; and

20 Whereas every member of the 2011 University of Oregon football team participated in public
21 service projects organized by and through the university's athletic department; and

22 Whereas those players took part in a variety of public services, including visiting schools and
23 hospitals, hosting educational workshops, raising money for the homeless, signing and sending foot-
24 balls to young people afflicted with cancer and being pen pals with active duty United States mili-
25 tary service personnel; now, therefore,

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

27 That we, the members of the Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly, recognize and celebrate the
28 athletic, academic and public service achievements of the 2011 University of Oregon football team
29 and the recent years of success of the University of Oregon football program; and be it further

30 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented to University of Oregon head football
31 coach Chip Kelly.

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