



Extension Service Wheeler County

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Representative Chris Garrett, Chair
House Rules Committee
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

RE: HR1

Dear Representative Garrett:

The Oregon State University/Wheeler County Extension Service strongly supports House Resolution 1, honoring Wheeler County Judge Jeanne Burch for her exemplary leadership and service to her community as she enters retirement.

Judge Burch's tireless efforts to improve conditions in rural Wheeler County over the course of her nearly 20 years as judge have had a tremendous impact on the citizens of this county.

Judge Burch upheld a strong commitment to maintain county solvency. She was instrumental in enriching the lives of the citizens of Wheeler County by participating in many key ventures on the local, state, and national level. Her involvement with the Frontier TeleNet, obtaining cellular telephone coverage, the Oregon Paleo Project, the community gym, and the annual bluegrass festival are just a few of her many accomplishments.

Her approachable personality and her open door policy made her an extraordinary community leader, one whom we will sorely miss as she retires.

OSU/Wheeler County Extension Service is proud to have collaborated with Judge Burch on many projects. Thank you for considering her for this prestigious honor.

Sincerely,

Amy Derby
Wheeler County Extension Agent

Mary Corp
Upper Columbia Regional Administrator

cc: Rep. Greg Smith
Rep. John Huffman

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