

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Be Adopted
Vote:	9 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Barnhart, Berger, Dembrow, Hicks, Holvey, Hoyle, Jenson, Kennemer, Garrett
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors Consul General Gao Zhansheng for promoting and assisting person-to-person exchanges between Oregon and People’s Republic of China.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Consul General Gao’s work to improve culture and trade between Oregon and China
- Extensive accomplishments during his tenure of service to Oregon
- Impact his work had on Oregon’s economic and educational opportunities
- Ability to provide students in Oregon with scholarships for study at Chinese universities

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: House Concurrent Resolution 10 honors the service of Gao Zhansheng as Consul General to the United States at the Consulate-General of the People's Republic of China in San Francisco. Consul General Gao will be concluding his service as the Consulate-General later this year after a six-year tenure.

During his service at the Consulate-General of the People's Republic of China in San Francisco, Consul General Gao has worked hard to build a strong relationship between Oregon and the People's Republic of China in order to promote an increase in the exchange of information, commerce, education, culture and financial dialogue. Consul General Gao has facilitated high-level meetings in China for three Oregon Governors’ trade missions and five Oregon legislative trade missions; promoted opportunities for Oregon students to study Mandarin Chinese through the Confucius Classroom program; and supported Oregon’s sustainable development and eco-branding initiatives by facilitating training at the China-U.S. Center for Sustainable Development and participation in the Pingtan Island Eco-Community Forum.