

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

**FISCAL: No fiscal impact**

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<b>Action:</b>	Be Adopted
<b>Vote:</b>	5 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Beyer, Burdick, Ferrioli, Starr, Rosenbaum
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/27

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** In memoriam: Patricia Whiting, 1940-2010.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Ms. Whiting’s significant contributions to her community and the state
- Legislative service of Ms. Whiting
- Impact of Ms. Whiting on environmental legislation
- Involvement in major land use planning legislation
- Nationally known for work on ozone depletion issues and Kyoto and Montreal Protocols
- Numerous awards received by Ms. Whiting for her work
- Patricia D. Whiting Hall

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Patricia Whiting was born October 22, 1940. She was a member of the Oregon House of Representatives from 1972 to 1978. During her three terms in the Oregon Legislature she championed numerous issues that had a profound impact on the state. She co-sponsored legislation that led to the world’s first ban on ozone depleting spray cans and the first tobacco smoking ban. She also was a leader in crafting major land use planning legislation, directly involved in the passage of Oregon’s bottle bill, and instrumental in helping seniors stay in their own homes through Oregon Project Independence.

Ms. Whiting’s commitment to the environment brought her national attention, including an appearance on the Today Show. She defended legislation pertaining to ozone depletion in the debate leading to the Kyoto and Montreal Protocols. Ms. Whiting was awarded the Eagleton Institute/Rutgers University/Carnegie Foundation “Top 10 US State Legislation Award” in 1975 and was recognized with the Izaak Walton League “Conservationist of the Year Award” in 1979. In addition, she received the “Distinguished Service Award” from the City of Tualatin and the “Harold M. Hayes Award” in 2009 for Citizen Involvement in Washington County. Ms. Whiting was a member of the National Women’s Council of State Legislators, National Council of State Legislators, International Platform Speakers Association and the Organization of Women Legislators. She also belonged to a number of charitable organizations, including serving on the boards of Loaves and Fishes (Tri-County), Eastmoreland Hospital, and Citizen Participation Organization 4M.

Patricia Whiting died June 23, 2010, at the age of 69. She is survived by numerous family members and many friends. On October 1, 2011, Metzger Park’s Community Center was officially renamed the Patricia D. Whiting Hall to honor her contributions to and love for the community.

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