

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Be Adopted
Vote:	8 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Barnhart, Berger, Dembrow, Hicks, Holvey, Jenson, Kennemer, Garrett
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Hoyle
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Meeting Dates:	4/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Commemorates 100th anniversary of founding of City of Tualatin.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Character of community of Tualatin
- Success of balancing growth and “small-town” feel
- Strong chamber of commerce
- Residents’ commitment to community stewardship
- Business support for services and community programs
- Small business-based community
- Vitality of community
- Ability to provide services to citizens

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The City of Tualatin is located primarily in Washington County and Clackamas County, along the Tualatin River. The name of the city is taken from the Tualatin River, a Native American word meaning "lazy" or "sluggish," but possibly meaning "treeless plain" for the plain near the river or "forked" for its many tributaries.

In the 1850’s, the settlement was first called Galbreath, after its founder Samuel Galbreath. Galbreath began a ferry service crossing the Tualatin River. In 1853, Galbreath built the first bridge over the Tualatin River, and the town became known as Bridgeport. In 1886, the Portland & Willamette Railway Company purchased a right-of-way through John Sweek's land on the Tualatin River's west bank opposite Bridgeport and renamed the town Tualatin. The new railroad brought frequent service from Portland. Tualatin's population grew and, attracted by the town's reputation for offering work, shrewd investors platted subdivisions. With newcomers arriving from various parts of the country, and the trip into Portland now just a comfortable hour's train ride away, Tualatin was no longer an isolated rural town.

In 1913, the City of Tualatin incorporated on the land settled and cultivated by about 30 families in the Tualatin River Basin, after the families earned the title to the land under the congressional Donation Land Claim Bill.

House Concurrent Resolution 19 recognizes the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Tualatin.

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