

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Be Adopted
Vote: 4 - 0 - 1
Yeas: Beyer, Burdick, Starr, Rosenbaum
Nays: 0
Exc.: Ferrioli
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Meeting Dates: 6/4

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

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Origins of Tualatin
- History of Tualatin
- Amenities within community
- Achievements of students from Tualatin area schools

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The City of Tualatin is located south of Portland, along the Tualatin River. In the 1850's, the settlement that became Tualatin was 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.

Through the years, Tualatin's population grew significantly, attracting newcomers because of its reputation for offering job opportunities and comfortable living. With people arriving from various parts of the country, and the trip into Portland just an hour's train ride away, Tualatin was no longer an isolated rural town at the turn of the century. 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 founding of the City of Tualatin.