## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session MEASURE: SCR 19 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Rep. Clem

**House Committee on Rules** 

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

 Action:
 Be Adopted

 Vote:
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**Yeas:** Berger, Dembrow, Hicks, Holvey, Hoyle, Jenson, Kennemer, Garrett

Nays: 0

Exc.: Barnhart

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Meeting Dates: 6/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors Richmond Elementary School on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Achievements of students and teachers at Richmond Elementary School
- Importance and role of Richmond Elementary School in community

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

**BACKGROUND:** Richmond Elementary School opened its doors on September 23, 1912; its students and teachers have a long history of service to others, in the local community and elsewhere. During World War I, the school contributed thousands of dollars to war efforts and to aid refugees. Edith Green began her career teaching at Richmond, and went on to serve 10 terms in Congress. In 1961 and 1968, the school was honored for its service to the nation for participating in the United States Savings Bonds Program.

Richmond Elementary School is also known for its innovative educational programs and community partnerships. Recognizing the need for bilingual education, both for new immigrants and to educate native-English speakers in another language, Richmond Elementary established bilingual classrooms in the 1970s. It was the first elementary school in Oregon to implement the Title 1Schoolwide Program, the Parents as Teachers program, the Second Step curriculum to prevent bullying, and the First Step Program. In addition, the school served as a pilot school for Family Building Blocks. For more than two decades, Richmond Elementary has partnered with the Legislative Administration Committee on numerous events, sales and fundraisers to assist with various trips and supplies for students and teachers.

In 2012, Richmond Elementary School principal Lizi Aguilar-Nelson was named Oregon Elementary School Principal of the Year. In October of 2012, Ms. Aguilar-Nelson attended a ceremony in Washington, D.C., where she and other award winners were was recognized by President Barack Obama.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 19 honors Richmond Elementary School on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary