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House Concurrent Resolution 31

Sponsored by Representatives CONGER, MCLANE, WHISNANT, Senator KNOPP; Representatives BENTZ, BOONE, CAMERON, CLEM, DEMBROW, ESQUIVEL, GILLIAM, HARKER, HICKS, HOYLE, HUFFMAN, JENSON, JOHNSON, KENNEMER, LIVELY, MCKEOWN, OLSON, RICHARDSON, SPRENGER, THATCHER, THOMPSON, VEGA PEDERSON, WEIDNER, WHITSETT, WILLIAMSON, WITT, Senators CLOSE, EDWARDS, GEORGE, HANSELL, STEINER HAYWARD, WHITSETT, WINTERS

Whereas Ashton James Eaton is a native Oregonian and attended Mountain View High School in Bend, Oregon, where he was a standout football player and a state champion in the 400-meter dash and long jump; and

Whereas Ashton James Eaton graduated from the University of Oregon in 2010 as a five-time National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) champion in the decathlon and heptathlon; and

Whereas Ashton James Eaton won the Bowerman in 2010, the highest honor for a collegiate track and field athlete; and

Whereas Ashton James Eaton has set and broken NCAA, Pac-10 and University of Oregon records, as well as multiple world records; and

Whereas Ashton James Eaton earned a score of 9039 in the decathlon at the 2012 United States Olympic Team Track and Field Trials in Eugene, Oregon, and is only the second person in world history to break into the 9000-point bracket; and

Whereas Ashton James Eaton broke his own heptathlon world record at the 2011 International Indoor Combined Events meet in Tallinn, Estonia, and again in 2012 at the International Association of Athletics Federation World Indoor Championships; and

Whereas Ashton James Eaton won the gold medal in the decathlon at the 2012 Olympic Games in London and is widely regarded as the "world's greatest athlete"; and

Whereas Ashton Eaton's discipline, maturity, integrity and success set an example for many young people in central Oregon and throughout this state; and

Whereas Ashton Eaton's character and extraordinary achievements make him a positive role model who inspires hope in young Oregonians that they can achieve their potential and excel in any endeavor through dedication and hard work; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Seventy-seventh Legislative Assembly, honor Ashton James Eaton for his outstanding athletic achievements and awards in track and field, for his exemplary character and for bringing great pride to the State of Oregon through his inspiring accomplishments in the United States and internationally.

Adopted by House June 4, 2013
Ramona J. Line, Chief Clerk of House
Tina Kotek, Speaker of House
Adopted by Senate June 21, 2013

Peter Courtney, President of Senate