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Senate Concurrent Resolution 19

Sponsored by Senators COURTNEY, WINTERS, Representative CLEM

Whereas in 1852 Alvin F. Waller acquired land under the Donation Land Claim Act of 1850 on which Richmond Elementary School would be built; and

Whereas on September 23, 1912, the doors of Richmond Elementary School opened; and

Whereas during World War I, pupils at Richmond Elementary School sold Thrift Stamps in the amount of \$2,076 and United States War Savings Stamps in the amount of \$2,047.75 and contributed \$492.76 to efforts to aid Armenian refugees; and

Whereas in 1930, Edith Green began her career as a teacher at Richmond Elementary School, and in 1954 was elected to Congress, serving 10 terms and championing federal funding for education, earning her the nickname "Mrs. Education"; and

Whereas in 1934, Richmond Elementary School became one of the first in the country to serve hot lunches, which cost 10 cents each; and

Whereas Richmond Elementary School began hosting a booth at the Oregon State Fair each year beginning in 1948; and

Whereas in 1956 Richmond Elementary School received the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge George Washington Honor Medal; and

Whereas in 1961 and 1968 Richmond Elementary School was honored for patriotic service to the nation for its participation in the United States Savings Bonds Program; and

Whereas in the 1970s bilingual classrooms were established in Richmond Elementary School in which Spanish speakers learned English and English speakers learned Spanish in the same classroom; and

Whereas Richmond Elementary School was the first elementary school in the State of Oregon to implement the Title 1 Schoolwide Program, the Parents as Teachers program, the Second Step curriculum to prevent bullying, the First Step Program for at-risk first graders and a partnership with Head Start on campus, and was also a pilot school for Family Building Blocks; and

Whereas Richmond Elementary School has been the spearhead in the Salem-Keizer Public Schools district's efforts to implement a dental health program and the Hands & Words Are Not For Hurting Project; and

Whereas in 1990 the Legislative Administration Committee became a business partner to Richmond Elementary School, and beginning in 1993, book sales, employee golf tournaments, plant sales and other annual fundraisers have been held to assist in funding field trips and the purchase of supplies for students; and

Whereas current Richmond Elementary School principal Lizi Aguilar-Nelson was named Oregon Elementary School Principal of the Year in 2012, an honor for which she attended a recognition ceremony and visited President Barack Obama in Washington, D.C., in October 2012; 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 Richmond Elementary School for the many achievements of its students and administrators and congratulate the school on its 100th anniversary.

Adopted by Senate June 21, 2013

Robert Taylor, Secretary of Senate

Peter Courtney, President of Senate

Adopted by House June 26, 2013

Tina Kotek, Speaker of House