

**Fiscal:** No Fiscal Impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 06/04/15

**Action:** Be Adopted.

**Meeting Dates:** 06/04

**Vote:**

Yeas: 4 - Boquist, Burdick, Ferrioli, Rosenbaum

Exc: 1 - Beyer

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

In memoriam: David B. Frohnmayer, 1940-2015.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Life of Dave Frohnmayer
- Public service to Oregon and his reverence for public service

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

On March 9, 2015, Dave Frohnmayer, the widely respected leader in Oregon politics, academics, and philanthropist, died at the age of 74.

Dave Frohnmayer was born July 9, 1940, in Medford, Oregon, attending Medford High School before going on to Harvard University. He graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard in 1962; attended Wadham College, Oxford on a Rhodes Scholarship and received his law degree from the University of California, Berkeley in 1967. In 1974, Frohnmayer began a career in Oregon politics, serving three terms in the Oregon House of Representatives from 1975 to 1981, representing southern Eugene and was then elected as Attorney General in 1980, an office he held for a decade.

After his career in elective office, he went to the University of Oregon, where he served as dean of the law school and then, for 15 years, as president of the university. During his time at the University of Oregon, he fought to restore state funding, instigated the implementation of 19 new degree programs, four endowed professorships, four student housing projects and seven science facilities and paved the way for the construction or expansion of the College of Education, Lillis Hall, the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, Miller Theatre Complex and the Many Nations Longhouse.

Married to his wife, Lynn, for 40 years, the pair raised five children, but they lost two daughters to the rare Fanconi Anemia, a hereditary disease that causes bone marrow failure, leukemia and cancer. Dave and Lynn Frohnmayer resolved to fight back against this disease, cofounding the Fanconi Anemia Research Fund, raising millions of dollars to fund research to discover a cure for the rare genetic disease, and becoming one of the founding directors of the National Marrow Donor Program, also known as "Be the Match."

Dave is survived by his wife Lynn, his sons Mark and Jonathan, his daughter Amy, his sister Mira and brother John.

House Concurrent Resolution 27 honors the life of Dave Frohnmayer and his incredible legacy as a scholar, teacher, mentor and visionary whose humble nature, honorable conduct, intellectual curiosity and inspirational work touched the lives of so many.