

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Rules

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 06/17/15

Action: Be Adopted.

Meeting Dates: 06/17

Vote:

Yeas: 9 - Barnhart, Gilliam, Hoyle, Kennemer, McLane, Nosse, Rayfield, Smith Warner, Wilson

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Honoring Howard Schor and Mary Kilpatrick for founding Bend Experimental Art Theatre (BEAT).

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Commitment of Schor and Kilpatrick to ensuring children had access to theatre programs
- Significance of BEAT program in Bend
- Number of children who have participated in BEAT theatre programs

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Howard Schor and Mary Kilpatrick founded the Bend Experimental Art Theatre, known as BEAT Quality Youth Theatre, in central Oregon.

BEAT has made a positive impact on the children of this state by introducing hundreds of central Oregon kindergarten through grade 12 students to the arts through participation in theater workshops and performances. Over 20,000 central Oregon students have attended BEAT performances at reduced prices through the innovative Cultural Student Performance program designed by Howard Schor and Mary Kilpatrick. BEAT has provided scholarships for children in need and has never turned down a scholarship request.

BEAT is an organization that has become a vital part of the Oregon arts community and an important arts education program for children.

House Resolution 9 thanks Howard Schor and Mary Kilpatrick for 10 years of tireless dedication and positive energy devoted to our youth and for founding the vibrant BEAT.