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House Concurrent Resolution 20

Sponsored by Representatives HACK, GILLIAM, Senator WINTERS; Representatives BARRETO, BENTZ, BOONE, BUEHLER, CLEM, ESQUIVEL, FREDERICK, HAYDEN, HEARD, JOHNSON, KRIEGER, MCLANE, NEARMAN, SMITH, SPRENGER, STARK, WEIDNER, WHISNANT, WILSON, WITT, Senators COURTNEY, FERRIOLI, KNOPP, THATCHER, THOMSEN

Whereas Gerald “Gerry” Frank is a proud fourth-generation native Oregonian; and

Whereas Gerry Frank has deep roots in the retail, restaurant, political, civic and business activities of this state; and

Whereas Gerry Frank holds a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts with honors from Cambridge University in England; and

Whereas Gerry Frank served with the United States Army Field Artillery in Europe during World War II; and

Whereas Gerry Frank directed and managed the first branch store of retail giant Meier and Frank when it opened in Salem, Oregon, in 1955; and

Whereas Gerry Frank served as chief of staff to former United States Senator Mark O. Hatfield for 20 years; and

Whereas Gerry Frank’s energy and expertise in shaping Oregon’s politics have earned him the nickname of “Oregon’s third senator”; and

Whereas Gerry Frank is a former board member of U.S. Bancorp and Standard Insurance Company, and formerly served on the executive committee of the United States Fund for the United Nations Children’s Fund; and

Whereas Gerry Frank has served as board member and trustee to a long list of community institutions and service organizations, including serving as funding campaign chair of the \$40 million Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center for the Salem area, the Oregon Independent College Foundation and the Oregon Tourism Commission; and

Whereas Gerry Frank has also served on the board of the American Automobile Association of Oregon and Idaho, St. Vincent Medical Foundation and the Portland Rose Festival Association; and

Whereas Gerry Frank is an avid traveler, having visited over 150 countries over the course of his career; and

Whereas Gerry Frank is known for his long-running column Frankly Speaking in *The Oregonian*, which provided travel tips and recommendations for destinations around this state; and

Whereas Gerry Frank has been a frequent commentator for KPTV’s Good Day, Oregon and Northwest Reports and KATU’s AM Northwest; and

Whereas Gerry Frank authored two best-selling travel guidebooks, one for New York City entitled *Gerry Frank’s Where to Find It, Buy It, Eat It in New York*, which has sold over one million copies and is in its 18th edition, and one for Oregon entitled *Gerry Frank’s Oregon*; and

Whereas Gerry Frank has won numerous awards over the course of his lifetime, including Salem’s Junior First Citizen award in 1957, Salem’s First Citizen award in 1964, the Glenn L. Jackson Leadership Award from Willamette University in 1984, the Aubrey R. Watzek Award from Lewis and Clark College in 1986, the Gold Medallion Award in 1999 for 50 years of individual community service and the Tom McCall Leadership Award in 2014; and

Whereas in 2000 Gerry Frank was named the first ever Oregon Premier Citizen by gubernatorial proclamation; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly, honor Gerald “Gerry” Frank for his venerable civic, political, entrepreneurial, literary and culinary contributions to the people of this state and for his many years of service to his community, state and country.

Adopted by House April 21, 2015

Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate May 19, 2015

Peter Courtney, President of Senate