

# House Concurrent Resolution 26

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON RULES

## SUMMARY

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In memoriam: David Michael Jones, M.P.A.S., PA-C, 1945-2015.

## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1  
2 Whereas David Michael "Dave" Jones was born on October 31, 1945, in Seattle, Washington, to  
3 Dorothea and K.C. Jones; and

4 Whereas Dave Jones graduated from Pasco High School in 1963; and

5 Whereas Dave Jones earned a bachelor's degree in history in 1968 and a second bachelor's de-  
6 gree in zoology in 1970, both from the University of Washington; and

7 Whereas Dave Jones served as a member of the United States Army Reserve from 1965 to 1971;  
8 and

9 Whereas Dave Jones married Karen Rose Wick in 1969, and together they had a son, Tucker,  
10 in 1973; and

11 Whereas Dave Jones served as a volunteer firefighter and emergency medical technician from  
12 1970 to 2014; and

13 Whereas in 1975, Dave Jones joined the ninth class of students at the MEDEX Northwest Phy-  
14 sician Assistant Program at the University of Washington in the early days of the physician assist-  
15 ant profession, became certified as a physician assistant in 1976 and earned a third bachelor's  
16 degree in primary health care in 1978; and

17 Whereas in 1980, Dave Jones moved to Condon, Oregon, with his wife and son to practice  
18 medicine as a physician assistant; and

19 Whereas Dave Jones and Dennis Bruneau, another physician assistant, served as the only pro-  
20 viders of medical care in Gilliam County, were among the first physician assistants in Oregon to  
21 practice with remote supervision and were the first physician assistants in the country to receive  
22 independent prescription-writing authority; and

23 Whereas Dave Jones was named Rural Physician Assistant of the Year by the American Acad-  
24 emy of Physician Assistants in 1988; and

25 Whereas Dave Jones served his first term as President of the Oregon Society of Physician As-  
26 sistants (OSPA) beginning in 1988 and served his second term beginning in 1995; and

27 Whereas Dave Jones was committed to lifelong learning, earning a master's degree in Physician  
28 Assistant Studies from the University of Nebraska in 2000; and

29 Whereas Dave Jones served on the OSPA Board of Directors for many years and, as a member  
30 of the Legislative Committee of OSPA, advocated on behalf of physician assistants in support of  
31 legislation to optimize the practices of physician assistants and recognize their important role in the  
32 health care team; and

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1       Whereas Dave Jones received the award for Outstanding Contributions to Rural Health in 2008  
2 from the Office of Rural Health at their annual Oregon Rural Health Conference; and

3       Whereas Dave Jones served as a member of the Physician Assistant Committee of the Oregon  
4 Medical Board from 2006 to 2012 and served several times as a consultant to the board, reviewing  
5 cases under investigation by the board; and

6       Whereas Dave Jones was recognized by the Oregon Health and Science University Physician  
7 Assistant Program with the Karen Whitaker Knapp Service Award, named for the former director  
8 of the Office of Rural Health, for his commitment to rural practice and his service to the Condon  
9 community as well as his contributions to the Physician Assistant Program; and

10       Whereas Dave Jones served as a member of the Condon School District Board of Directors, the  
11 Condon Child Care Board of Trustees and the Tri-County Home Health Agency Board of Trustees;  
12 and

13       Whereas Dave Jones served as the Gilliam County medical examiner until the time of his death;  
14 and

15       Whereas Dave Jones was beloved by the Condon community he served so selflessly and will be  
16 remembered by thousands of patients as a trusted advisor and friend, by his neighbors and friends  
17 for his unique sense of humor and booming voice, by the medical community as a dedicated educator  
18 and ambassador, by his physician assistant friends for his advocacy in support of the advancement  
19 of the physician assistant profession in Oregon and by his family as a devoted husband, father,  
20 grandfather and uncle; and

21       Whereas Dave Jones leaves a legacy of care, compassion and service to his adopted community  
22 and to the cause of rural health in Oregon; and

23       Whereas Dave Jones passed away on January 23, 2015, and will be greatly missed by his wife,  
24 Karen Jones, his son and daughter-in-law, Tucker and Stacy Jones, his grandsons, Rowan and Harris  
25 Jones, his sister and brother-in-law, Patricia and Duane Rencken, and many nieces and nephews, as  
26 well as his many physician assistant colleagues across this state; now, therefore,

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

28       That we, the members of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly, honor David Michael  
29 “Dave” Jones for a lifetime of embodying exemplary character, upstanding citizenship and selfless  
30 service; and be it further

31       Resolved, That a copy of this resolution shall be presented to the family of Dave Jones as an  
32 expression of our sympathy and condolences.

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