## **House Resolution 7**

Sponsored by Representative FREDERICK, Senator WINTERS; Senator SHIELDS

## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

In memoriam: Carl Deiz, 1920-2014.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 Whereas Carl Deiz was born on November 16, 1920, in Portland, to William Carlos Deiz and

3 Elnora Deiz; and

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4 Whereas Carl Deiz graduated from Franklin High School and joined the United States Army

5 Air Corps stationed at Tuskegee, Alabama; and

6 Whereas Carl Deiz was one of the legendary Tuskegee Airmen, a group of African-American 7 elite fighter pilots who helped overcome racial barriers in the United States Army Air Forces during

8 World War II; and

9 Whereas Carl Deiz and his brother, Robert Deiz, were two of 12 Oregonians who trained at 10 Tuskegee; and

11 Whereas Carl Deiz graduated magna cum laude from the University of Portland in 1949 with a 12 degree in business and went on to work for the Bonneville Power Administration as a budget ana-13 lyst; and

Whereas Carl Deiz married his wife, the Honorable Judge Mercedes Deiz, on October 5, 1949, and their marriage spanned 56 years; and

16 Whereas the Honorable Judge Mercedes Deiz was the first black woman admitted to the Oregon 17 State Bar, the first black female district court judge in Oregon and the first black woman elected

18 as a county circuit court judge in Oregon; and

Whereas together, Carl and Mercedes Deiz raised three children, Bill, Gilbert and Karen; and
Whereas throughout his life, Carl Deiz was active in his community as a distinguished alumnus
of the University of Portland and as an active member of St. Philip the Deacon Episcopal Church;

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23 Whereas Carl Deiz passed away on December 1, 2014; and

24 Whereas Carl Deiz is survived by his two sons and seven grandchildren; now, therefore,

## 25 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly, honor the life of Carl Deiz and his service to his community, to this state and to his country; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the family of Carl Deiz as an expression of our sympathy and condolences.

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